

Z for Zachariah

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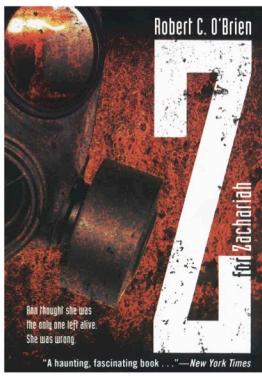
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This Novel Study Includes:

- Pre-Reading Non-Fiction Article and Questions **with answers**

EACH ACTIVITY COVERS 2 CHAPTERS:

- There are **4** Chapter Questions Each **with answers** (Total of 52-Chapter Questions)
- **13** Chapter Quizzes **with answers** (130 Questions total)
- **13** Journal Prompts
- **3** Essay Prompts with Graphic Organizers
- **1** Internal/External Conflict Activity
- **2** Character Trait Activities
- **1** Setting Activity

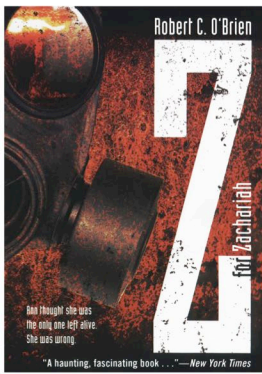
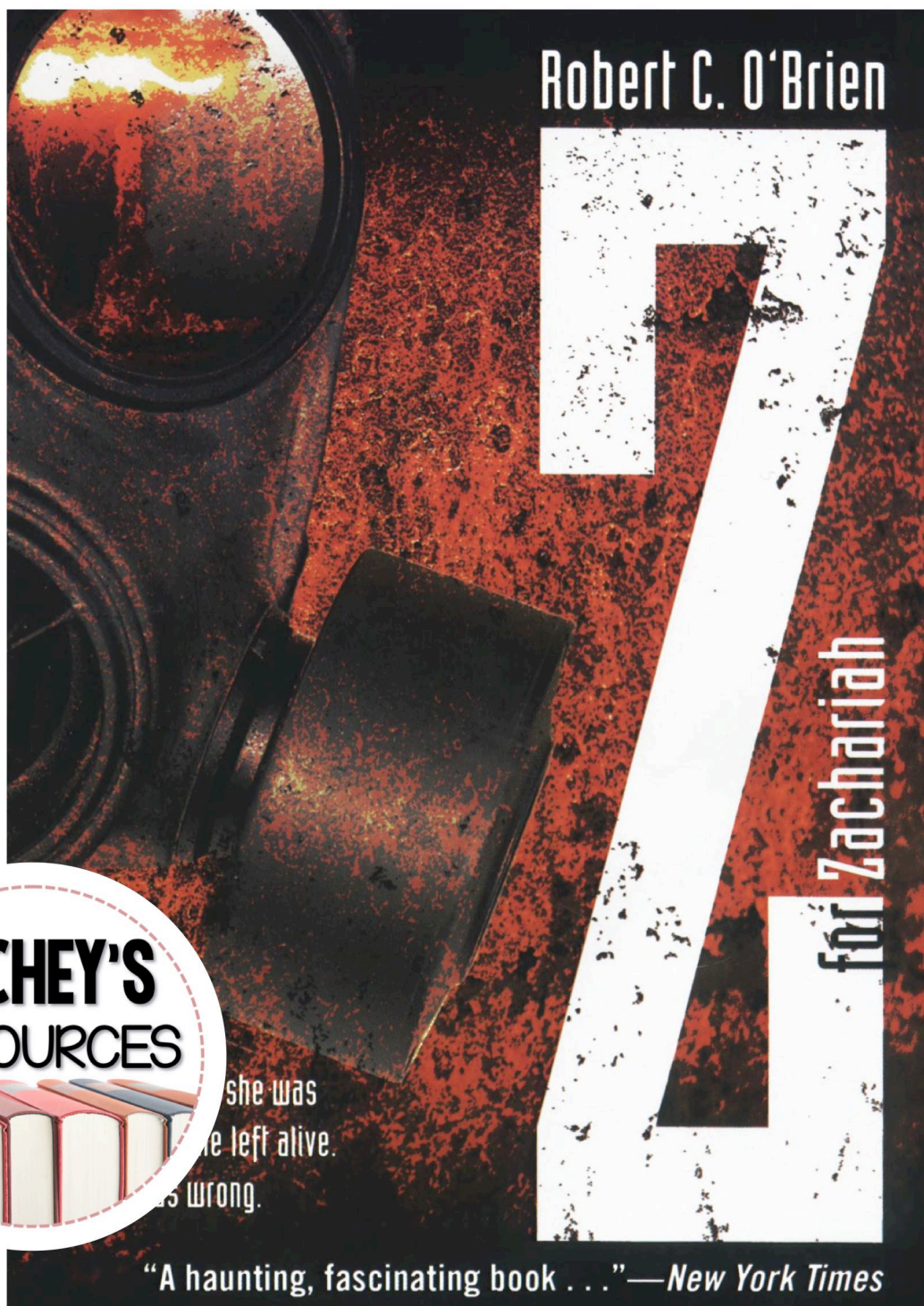


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PRE-READING ACTIVITY

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Pre-Reading Activity

What is Radiation?

Radiation is a type of energy that travels in the form of waves or high speed particles. There are three different types of radiation. These are called Alpha, Beta, and Gamma. We are exposed to small levels of radiation everyday. Naturally occurring radiation can be found in buildings, the ground, the air we breath, the food we eat, and even in our own bodies. The sun also exposes us to ultraviolet radiation.

Exposure to high levels of radiation is harmful to us because it can damage or impair our cells from functioning properly. The cells in our body are the building blocks for every human function.

When a human, animal, or item is exposed to radiation they become radioactive. The amount of radiation they are exposed to will determine how long they will stay radioactive. Even touching something that became radioactive decades ago can expose you to radiation.

In cases of nuclear accidents, radioactive materials may be released into the air and inhaled, or it come in through open wounds. Radiation can also contaminate the water, food, and animal life within the exposed area. When exposed to extremely high levels of radiation you can become very sick and die. When large nuclear accidents occur, wildlife will often die and the natural resources like water will become unsafe.



Photo by Johannes Daleng

Where is Radiation?

Medical Uses: We use radiation for many medical procedures. These procedures include chest x-rays, CT scans, and PET scans. Some medicines also contain radiation. Even though radiation in small doses like this are usually safe, many studies have linked small amounts of radiation exposure to cancer.

Radiation Therapy is a treatment you can receive to help treat cancer. Radiation is able to damage or kill the cancer cells, helping to slow the growth of cancerous cells or to shrink tumors. Side effects to using radiation therapy include fatigue, skin problems, and the risk of getting a second cancer created by the radiation that was used to treat the original cancer.

- Nuclear Weapons:** When nuclear weapons are used for testing or times of war they release radiation. The size of the explosion will determine the amount of radioactivity generated.
- Powerplants:** Many powerplants use nuclear material to create energy. These powerplants produce and release small levels of radiation. However, when the there is a nuclear accident, dangerous levels of radiation can be released in and around the powerplant site, causing irreversible damage to the people and environment exposed.

When people are working directly with radiation like in the military, medical field, or nuclear energy plants, they must wear protective gear to help eliminate their risk of becoming sick.

RADIATION EXPOSURE CHART:

10,000 rad: Fatal dose.
5,000 rad: 50% chance of death within a month.
1,000 rad: Radiation sickness, nausea, low blood cell count, but it is not fatal.
100 rad: Recommended limit (every five years) for those who work with radiation.
10 rad: Radiation found in a full-body CT scan.
2 rad: Natural amount exposed to us in a year.
.01 rad: Dental or chest x-ray.
rad: Radiation Absorbed Dose The amount of rad depends on the length of time in which you are exposed to the radiation.

What happens when you are exposed to radiation?

High levels of radiation exposure can cause serious illnesses, diseases, and harm to our bodies. Exposure may include ingesting, inhaling, being near, or touching something radioactive.

- **Skin Burns:** People who are exposed to high doses of radiation may suffer burns. These burns may start to show quickly or within days of radiation exposure. The damaged skin begins to itch, blister, and becomes red. The more severe the exposure, the more extreme the symptoms are. More extreme symptoms include hair loss and ulcers to affected skin. It may take weeks to years for the skin to heal.
- **Acute Radiation Syndrome/ARS (Radiation Poisoning):** Within minutes to days after being exposed to high levels of radiation, a person will become nauseous, begin getting headaches, vomit, and diarrhea. After these symptoms end, for a time they will likely act, look, and feel normal again. Unfortunately, if they are suffering from ARS their symptoms will return and worsen based on the amount of radiation they were exposed to. They also may feel fatigued, lose their appetite, suffer seizures, or go into a coma.
- **Cancer:** There are dozens of types of cancer that are caused from radiation exposure. These include Thyroid, Bladder, Lung, Ovarian, Colon and Stomach.
- **Cardiovascular Disease:** Exposure to radiation or radiation therapy can cause cardiovascular disease (heart disease). It can develop within days or months of radiation exposure. This causes the blood vessels to narrow which can lead to heart attack, chest pain, or stroke.

If you are exposed to an unhealthy amount of radiation it is crucial to seek medical attention immediately. It is also important to note that if you are near someone who has been exposed to high levels of radiation they will be radioactive and emit radiation to others.

High levels of radiation locations:

Many places around the world have been exposed to high levels of radiation. These places became instantly uninhabitable because the radiation within the environment can be deadly.

- **Chernobyl Nuclear Power Plant, Pripyat Ukraine:** After a routine safety test went wrong, one of the four nuclear reactors exploded causing enormous amounts of radiation to be spread across the area. The explosion exposed workers, first responders, and a whole city to lethal amounts of radiation. The city, Pripyat, was also evacuated and is still abandoned today. Though the number of deaths attributed to this accident have been debated, it is likely that more than 50,000 people died as a result to the radiation exposure from Chernobyl.
- **Fukushima Daini Nuclear Power Plant, Japan:** After an earthquake and tsunami hit the power plant, the nuclear reactors within the facility failed. The radioactive material from the accident spilled into the wastewater that eventually reached and contaminated water in the Pacific Ocean. Over 500 deaths have been directly linked to this nuclear accident.
- **The Hanford Site, Washington DC:** This was once a facility where nuclear weapons were made, but is now a storage facility for the country's radioactive waste. Since radioactive waste cannot be destroyed, they have buried it underground leaving groundwater in the area contaminated. There have also been many leaks from this facility causing environmental harm to the nearby Columbia River.



Abandoned Bumper Cart Facility in Pripyat
Photo by Yasemin Atalay

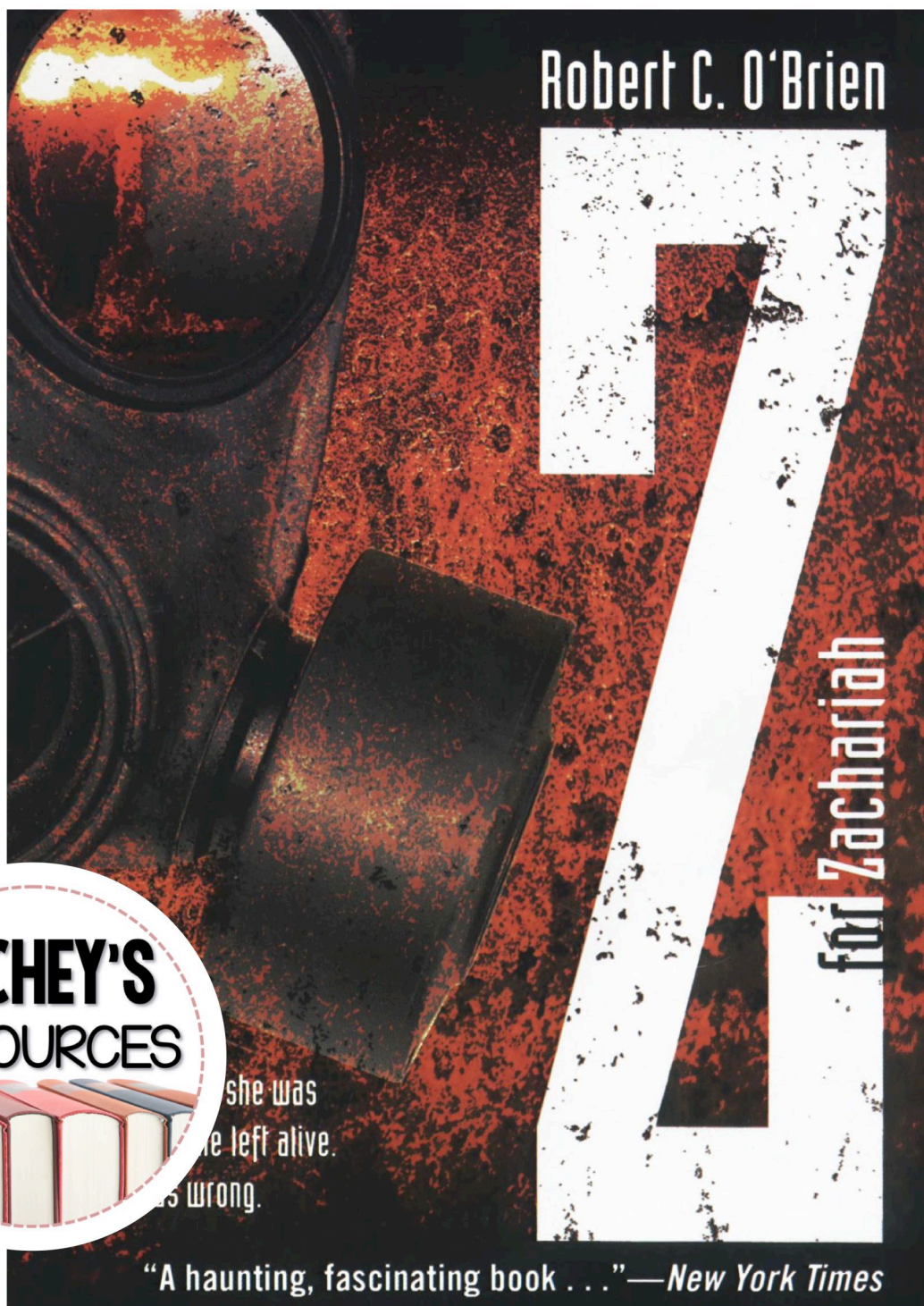


Pre-Reading Activity Questions

5. Do you think someone would be able to survive in an area that has been exposed to dangerous levels of radiation? This would include drinking from the water, eating the vegetation and animal life within the area. Why or why not? **Provide evidence from the text to support your answer.**

Pre-Reading Activity Questions

- ☐ Starts the summary by stating the title of the article.
- ☐ States the main idea of the passage clearly.
- ☐ Did not include personal opinions including "I think" statements.
- ☐ All important details are included.
- ☐ Provided evidence from the text to support summary.
- ☐ Demonstrates understanding of information from text.
- ☐ Used correct grammar and punctuation.



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PRE-READING ACTIVITY ANSWERS

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Pre-Reading Activity Questions

1. Are you likely to get radiation poisoning from an x-ray? Why or why not?

You are not likely to get radiation poisoning from an x-ray because it omits a very low amount of radiation that is not harmful to us.

2. Go back and re-read the article. Underline every sentence that uses the word **exposure**. Based on the article, what do you think the word exposure means?

Based on the article, I think the word exposure means anything that we can touch, inhale, feel, smell, or taste.

3. Using the chart, how many rads can you be exposed to before you become sick with Acute Radiation Syndrome? What are the side effects of Acute Radiation Syndrome?

You can be exposed to 1,000 rads before you become sick with Acute Radiation Syndrome. When you get sick with Acute Radiation Syndrome you can get headaches, lose your appetite, and get diarrhea. After a while you will feel better but then you will get sick again.

4. Was the author's purpose to persuade, inform, or entertain the reader? **Provide evidence from the text to support your answer.**

The author's purpose for writing this article was to inform the reader about radiation and it's effects on us. According to the article it states that "If you are exposed to unhealthy amounts of radiation it is crucial to seek medical attention immediately."

5. Do you think someone would be able to survive in an area that has been exposed to dangerous levels of radiation? This would include drinking from the water, eating the vegetation and animal life within the area. Why or why not? **Provide evidence from the text to support your answer.**

I do not think someone could survive in an area that has been exposed to dangerous levels of radiation. All the things we rely on to survive would become toxic to us. According to the article, "Even touching something that became radioactive decades ago can expose you to radiation." So even if you're not eating or drinking things with radiation, you are still being exposed to high amounts by being near it, or in this case living in it.



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Pre-Reading Activity Questions

6. Write an objective summary of the article *Z for Zachariah* Pre-reading Article. **Provide evidence from the text to support your summary.**

According to the article "Z for Zachariah Pre-reading Article," radiation is a type of energy that is found all around us. Some types of radiation are harmless to our bodies, but other types can be deadly when we are exposed to high amounts. Even if you are not directly exposed to radiation, you can still get radiation poisoning from other things that have been exposed. When we are exposed to dangerous levels of radiation, like after a nuclear disaster, we can become very sick and even die. If you are exposed to high levels of radiation "It is crucial to seek medical attention immediately."

Summary Checklist:

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Starts the summary by stating the title of the article.

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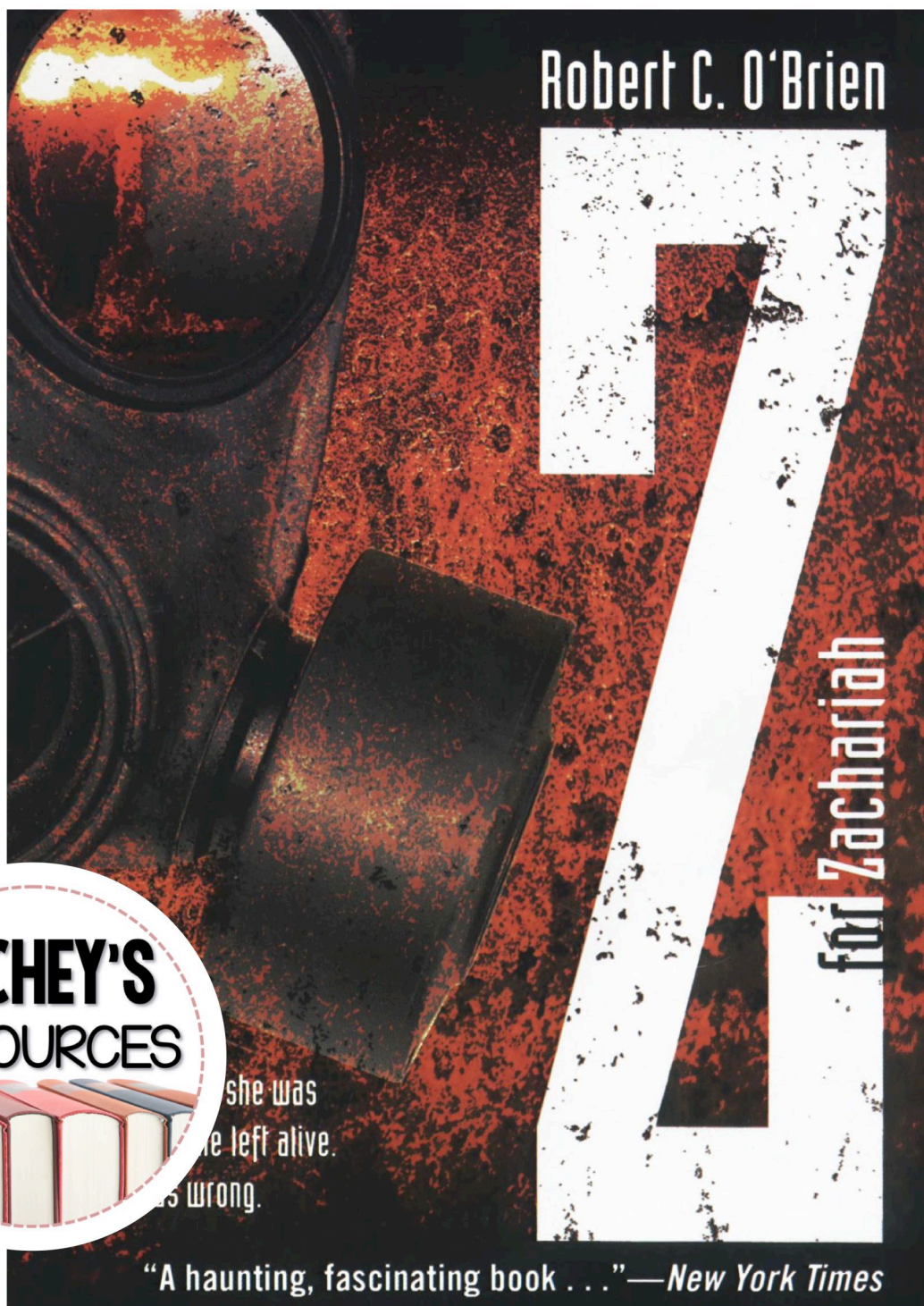
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Demonstrates understanding of information from text.

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CHAPTER SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

Name: _____ Period: _____

Z for Zachariah Questions Chapters 1-2

Directions: Answer the following questions based on what you read in *Z for Zachariah* Chapters 1 and 2. Remember to **restate the question** in your answer and to **provide evidence** when needed.

1. What leads the narrator to believe someone is coming closer to her home?

2. What does the following quote reveal about the narrator's feelings towards other survivors? Why does she decide to move to the cave? **Provide evidence from the text to support your answer.**

“There are worse things than being alone. It was after I thought about that, that I began moving my things to the cave.”

3. Why does the narrator decide to set all of the livestock free, dig up the garden, and remove the lights from the church? Do you think this was a smart or foolish thing for them to do.

4. Why is the narrator all alone in the valley? What does the narrator believe happened to her family? What does she think happened to her brother Joseph?



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Z for Zachariah Questions Chapters 3-4

Directions: Answer the following questions based on what you read in *Z for Zachariah* Chapters 3 and 4. Remember to **restate the question** in your answer and to **provide evidence** when needed.

1. Why doesn't the narrator respond to the stranger when he yells "Anybody here?" Do you think this was a smart decision? Why or why not?

2. What are two emotions or feelings the stranger has when he first enters the valley? **Provide evidence from the text to support both responses.**

3. After almost a year, Faro the family dog returns home. Why is the narrator so unkind to the dog when he returns to her? What is the narrator trying to prevent by being mean to the dog? **Provide evidence from the text to support your answer.**

4. Why do you think the stranger decides to stop being so careful while in the valley? **Provide evidence from the text to support your answer.**



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Z for Zachariah Questions Chapters 5-6

Directions: Answer the following questions based on what you read in *Z for Zachariah* Chapters 5 and 6. Remember to **restate the question** in your answer and to **provide evidence** when needed.

1. Even though Mr. Loomis is a complete stranger, Ann decides to help him. Why do you think Ann decides to help him? **Provide evidence from the text to support your answer.**

2. How did Mr. Loomis survive the bombings? How was Mr. Loomis able to survive outside with all of the radiation?

3. Now that Mr. Loomis has radiation poisoning, what will happen to him? What will it eventually lead to? **Provide evidence from the text to support your answer.**

4. In Chapter 6 we learn the stranger's name is John R. Loomis. However, despite being the only other person alive for miles, Ann continues to call him Mr. Loomis. What does this reveal about her character? What does this show about the type of relationship she wants to share with him?



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Z for Zachariah Questions Chapters 7-8

Directions: Answer the following questions based on what you read in *Z for Zachariah* Chapters 7 and 8. Remember to **restate the question** in your answer and to **provide evidence** when needed.

1. Why does Ann decide to go through all of the trouble of digging up more dirt to create an even larger garden? What does this reveal about Ann's hopes about the future?

2. Ann is taking on a large amount of responsibility between taking care of the farm and Mr. Loomis. Why do you think Ann is so focused on providing good meals and entertainment to a man she just met?

3. Ann, who is not even 16 yet, already has dreams of marrying Mr. Loomis. What reasons do you think she has for wanting to settle down with Mr. Loomis? Consider the time period in which the book is set and the standards society set for women. Do you think this dream is foolish or practical?

4. In Chapter 7 Ann describes an alphabet book from childhood that named people from the Bible. This is where we discover where the name of the book comes from. What do you think Ann is foreshadowing in the quote below?

{ "The last page of all was *Z for Zachariah*, and since I knew that Adam was the first man, for a long time I assumed that Zachariah must be the last man." }

Z for Zachariah Questions Chapters 9-10

Directions: Answer the following questions based on what you read in *Z for Zachariah* Chapters 9 and 10. Remember to **restate the question** in your answer and to **provide evidence** when needed.

1. What kind of relationship do you think Edward and Mr. Loomis shared? Do you think they had a friendly encounter the last time they saw each other? Why or why not? **Provide evidence from the text to support your answer.**

2. Why is corn the most beneficial and useful crop for Ann to plant on her field? **Provide evidence from the text to support your answer.**

3. How is taking care of Mr. Loomis while he's sick more difficult than taking care of a normal sick person? **Provide an example from the text to support your answer.**

4. In Chapter 10, when Mr. Loomis becomes very sick Ann states "I felt calm—almost as if I were the older one." Why is this quote ironic? What has Ann been doing since Mr. Loomis arrived?

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Z for Zachariah Questions Chapters 11-12

Directions: Answer the following questions based on what you read in *Z for Zachariah* Chapters 11 and 12. Remember to **restate the question** in your answer and to **provide evidence** when needed.

1. After Ann rescues the baby crow, she decides that it is a good omen. This means she believes it is a sign that good things are coming. What are crows typically associated with? What could the crow actually represent?

2. Why do you think Ann continues to care for Mr. Loomis even though she knows he is a killer? What does this reveal about the type of person Ann is? **Provide a specific example to support your answer.**

3. In Chapter 12, Ann tries to decide whether Mr. Loomis is an evil man for killing Edward. What are her two opposing arguments? **Describe both sides and provide an example from the text to support both answers.**

4. In Chapter 11 it is revealed that Mr. Loomis killed Edward, his coworker. What does this reveal about the type of man Mr. Loomis is? **Provide a specific example to support your answer.**



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Z for Zachariah Questions Chapters 13-14

Directions: Answer the following questions based on what you read in *Z for Zachariah* Chapters 13 and 14. Remember to **restate the question** in your answer and to **provide evidence** when needed.

1. In Chapter 13 we learn that Ann wishes she could borrow the safe suit to go out of the valley in search of new books to read. Why is this a dangerous thing to want? What might happen if she tries to do this?

2. Why is Mr. Loomis upset with Ann for visiting the church? Do you think he was right to be upset? Why or why not?

3. In Chapter 14, Mr. Loomis falls trying to get up from the bed. Why do you think he doesn't accept help from Ann to get back up? Why do you think he asks her to leave the room when he tries to get up on his own?

4. At the beginning of Chapter 13, Ann realizes that she will never go to school to become a teacher. What types of feelings does Ann have about this realization? How do you think she feels about her situation? **Provide evidence from the text to support your answer.**



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Z for Zachariah Questions Chapters 15-16

Directions: Answer the following questions based on what you read in *Z for Zachariah* Chapters 15 and 16. Remember to **restate the question** in your answer and to **provide evidence** when needed.

1. In Chapter 15, Mr. Loomis tells Ann she cannot borrow the suit because it is too valuable. During this conversation, what realization does Ann come to about the suit? **Provide evidence from the text to support your answer.**

2. In what ways are Ann and Mr. Loomis' visions for the future different? **Provide two examples from the text to support your answer.**

3. In Chapter 16, Ann tries to ask Mr. Loomis about his life before the war. How does he respond to these questions? What does this reveal about the way he views his relationship with Ann?

4. Based on the quote below, what is Ann finally realizing about Mr. Loomis? How might this change the way she acts and interacts with him?

“He was trying to control me, just as he had, in his way, controlled the planting, the use of the gasoline, the tractor, and even my going to church. And, of course, the suit, and, in the end, Edward.”

Z for Zachariah Questions Chapters 17-18

Directions: Answer the following questions based on what you read in *Z for Zachariah* Chapters 17 and 18. Remember to **restate the question** in your answer and to **provide evidence** when needed.

1. What event happened in Chapter 18 that led Ann to go back to the cave? How does she know she will be safe in the cave?

2. Before the war, Ann preferred cooking in the kitchen; however, now she would rather be alone in the tractor. Why do you think she has changed her mind?

3. Why did Mr. Loomis make an effort to have a casual and friendly conversation with Ann at the dinner table? What was he trying to do? **Provide evidence to support your answer.**

4. In Chapter 18, when Mr. Loomis attacks Ann. Why is she is surprised at how strong he has become? What happened right before the attack that could have warned Ann that he was getting stronger?

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Z for Zachariah Questions Chapters 19-20

Directions: Answer the following questions based on what you read in *Z for Zachariah* Chapters 19 and 20. Remember to **restate the question** in your answer and to **provide evidence** when needed.

1. Describe what Ann's plan for living in the valley with Mr. Loomis. What are some problems with her plan?

2. Why doesn't Ann want Mr. Loomis to see the fire she is building? What are two of the precautions she takes to ensure that Mr. Loomis will not be able to see the fire and smoke?

3. It is obvious from these two chapters that Mr. Loomis does not plan on leaving Ann alone like she wants. What are two examples from the text that demonstrate how the reader knows Mr. Loomis is unwilling to let Ann live a life without him?

4. At the end of Ann and Mr. Loomis' discussion about their living situation, Mr. Loomis tells her she is acting like a schoolgirl. What does he hope to do by calling her this? Do you think Ann is being foolish for moving out of the house? Why or why not?



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Z for Zachariah Questions Chapters 21-22

Directions: Answer the following questions based on what you read in *Z for Zachariah* Chapters 21 and 22 Remember to **restate the question** in your answer and to **provide evidence** when needed.

1. Why did Mr. Loomis take the key from the tractor? What is he hoping this will accomplish?

2. After Ann has finished talking with Mr. Loomis, why does she feel foolish? What was she expecting to happen during their conversation?

3. What critical mistake does Ann make while doing her morning chores? What consequences will likely happen because of this mistake? **Provide evidence from the text to support your answer.**

4. At the end of Chapter 22, Ann writes the statement below in her journal. How do you think Ann feels about what he has done? How do you think she feels about her own decisions?

“At fist I thought that, to go into the store and to use the tractor, I would have to ask permission each time. But then I had a worse thought: He was not going to give me any of the keys at all, to anything.”

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Z for Zachariah Questions Chapters 23-24

Directions: Answer the following questions based on what you read in *Z for Zachariah* Chapters 21 and 22 Remember to **restate the question** in your answer and to **provide evidence** when needed.

1. When Mr. Loomis shoots at Ann, he stops when she has her back turned and is running to the woods. Why do you think Mr. Loomis stopped shooting at Ann?

2. Why was Ann foolish enough to believe the store door was unlocked by accident? **Provide evidence from the text to support your answer.**

3. After hunting for Ann, Mr. Loomis locates Ann's cave. He then proceeds to destroy everything useful for survival. However, it is the burned book that Ann finds the most upsetting. Why do you think Mr. Loomis decided to burn the book? Based on this action, what are three words you could use to describe him?

4. Below is an excerpt from when Ann decides she has to shoot Faro.

“Because suddenly I saw what I must do. Wherever I ran, as long as Mr. Loomis had Faro, he would find me. I knew that, therefore I had to shoot Faro.”

Why does Ann decide to shoot Faro and not Mr. Loomis? What does this reveal about her character? **Provide evidence from the text to support your answer.**



Z for Zachariah Questions Chapters 25-26

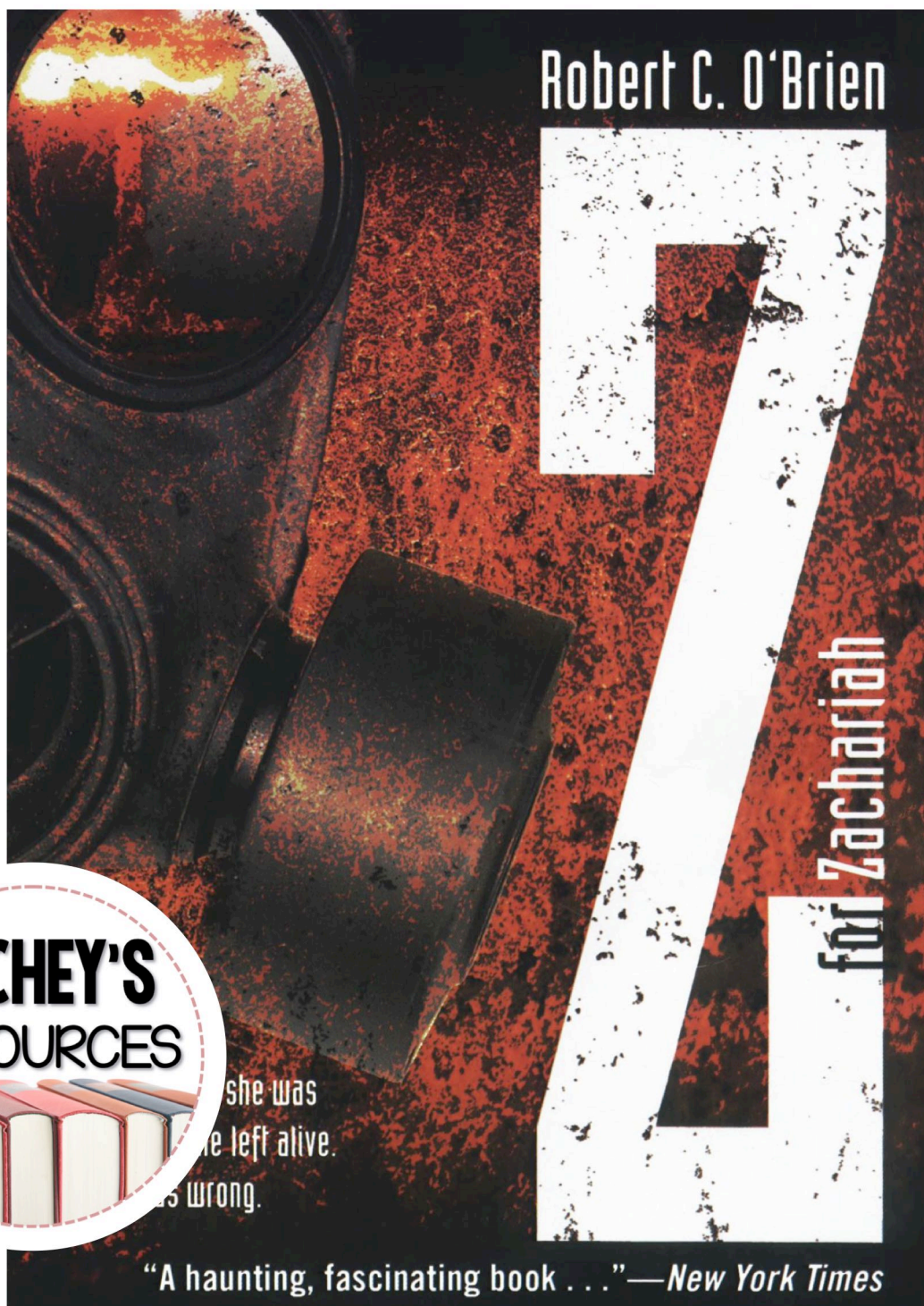
Directions: Answer the following questions based on what you read in *Z for Zachariah* Chapters 21 and 22 Remember to **restate the question** in your answer and to **provide evidence** when needed.

1. Describe the steps Ann took to steal the safe suit from Mr. Looms. Why was it crucial for her to act quickly? **Provide evidence to support your answer.**

2. At the end of Chapter 25, Ann has successfully stolen the suit. Why does Ann decide to go back to the valley? What does she tell Mr. Loomis that keeps him from shooting her? **Provide evidence to support your answer.**

3. Why do you think Ann decided until now to reveal to Mr. Loomis that she knew about Edward's murder? What was Mr. Loomis trying to keep her from discovering?

4. When Ann is leaving the valley, he tells her to go to the west because he had seen birds flying there. What would birds signify? Why do you think Mr. Loomis decided to tell her about them?



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CHAPTER SHORT ANSWERS

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Z for Zachariah Questions Chapters 1-2

Directions: Answer the following questions based on what you read in *Z for Zachariah* Chapters 1 and 2. Remember to **restate the question** in your answer and to **provide evidence** when needed.

1. What leads the narrator to believe someone is coming closer to her home?

The narrator sees a smoke column coming closer to her farm every day.

This leads the narrator to believe that someone is building a fire and traveling closer.

2. What does the following quote reveal about the narrator's feelings towards other survivors? Why does she decide to move to the cave? **Provide evidence from the text to support your answer.**

“There are worse things than being alone. It was after I thought about that, that I began moving my things to the cave.”

The narrator decides to move to the cave because they fear who the stranger might be. She states in her journal that “the man on the radio, toward the end, sounded crazy” (6). The narrator is worried that the person might be bad, so by moving to the cave so that they can evaluate them from a safe distance.

3. Why does the narrator decide to set all of the livestock free, dig up the garden, and remove the lights from the church? Do you think this was a smart or foolish thing for them to do.

The narrator decides to complete all of these things because they do not want the traveler to know someone lives in the valley. I think it was smart/foolish for the narrator to do these things because (answers will vary)....

4. Why is the narrator all alone in the valley? What does the narrator believe happened to her family? What does she think happened to her brother Joseph?

The narrator is all alone in the valley because their parents and brothers went outside of the valley to see what was happening. She believe that her parents and brothers died outside the valley. Joseph, who was supposed to stay home, probably snuck into the back of the truck and went with their parents. No one ever returned.



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Z for Zachariah Questions Chapters 3-4

Directions: Answer the following questions based on what you read in *Z for Zachariah* Chapters 3 and 4. Remember to **restate the question** in your answer and to **provide evidence** when needed.

1. Why doesn't the narrator respond to the stranger when he yells "Anybody here?" Do you think this was a smart decision? Why or why not?

The narrator doesn't respond to the stranger's yells because they do not want to reveal that they are there. I think this is smart/not a smart decision because (answer will vary)...

2. What are two emotions or feelings the stranger has when he first enters the valley? **Provide evidence from the text to support both responses.**

Two emotions the stranger feels when he first enters the valley are confusion and excitement. In the journal the narrator writes that "He ran to a tree by the roadside and pulled a branch, tearing off the leaves and holding them close to his glass face mask" (21). He clearly is excited to see living things again, but is confused on how it is possible.

3. After almost a year, Faro the family dog returns home. Why is the narrator so unkind to the dog when he returns to her? What is the narrator trying to prevent by being mean to the dog? **Provide evidence from the text to support your answer.**

The narrator is unkind to Faro because they do not want him to give away that they are there in the valley. According to the journal "But I was scared. Inevitably, if [the stranger] stayed around, [Faro] was going to betray me" (35). By being unkind, the narrator is hoping to keep Faro from coming back and accidentally leading the stranger to her cave.

4. Why do you think the stranger decides to stop being so careful while in the valley? **Provide evidence from the text to support your answer.**

The stranger decides to be less careful while in the valley because he is confident that there is no radiation there. The narrator writes that "He did not know that there were two streams" (30). Since he had already checked it, he thought it was the same stream and thought it was safe to swim in.



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Z for Zachariah Questions Chapters 5-6

Directions: Answer the following questions based on what you read in *Z for Zachariah* Chapters 5 and 6. Remember to **restate the question** in your answer and to **provide evidence** when needed.

1. Even though Mr. Loomis is a complete stranger, Ann decides to help him. Why do you think Ann decides to help him? **Provide evidence from the text to support your answer.**

Ann decides to help the stranger because she has a dream. In the dream she has a vision "that is was [her] father in the tent sick" (44). Because of this dream, she feels compelled to help the man.

2. How did Mr. Loomis survive the bombings? How was Mr. Loomis able to survive outside with all of the radiation?

Mr. Loomis survived the bombings because he was working in a secret laboratory that was built on the side of a mountain. Mr. Loomis was able to survive outside with all of the radiation because he had access to a special radiation proof suit and other supplies that helped him survive.

3. Now that Mr. Loomis has radiation poisoning, what will happen to him? What will it eventually lead to? **Provide evidence from the text to support your answer.**

Now that Mr. Loomis has radiation poisoning, he is going to get very sick. According to the journal "He will get a very high fever, and since his blood cells were damaged and cannot reproduce, he will also get anemic. Worst of all, he will have no resistance to germs and infection" (52). It is also revealed that he may get so sick that he may die.

4. In Chapter 6 we learn the stranger's name is John R. Loomis. However, despite being the only other person alive for miles, Ann continues to call him Mr. Loomis. What does this reveal about her character? What does this show about the type of relationship she wants to share with him?

Ann still uses Mr. Loomis' formal name because she was taught to respect adults. Mr. Loomis is older, so even though it is her house, she probably feels that she needs to treat him as if he is a guest. This also reveals that she might want to impress him or prove to him that she is responsible and capable to taking care of things.



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Z for Zachariah Questions Chapters 7-8

Directions: Answer the following questions based on what you read in *Z for Zachariah* Chapters 7 and 8. Remember to **restate the question** in your answer and to **provide evidence** when needed.

1. Why does Ann decide to go through all of the trouble of digging up more dirt to create an even larger garden? What does this reveal about Ann's hopes about the future?

Ann decides to dig up more of the dirt to create a larger garden because she realizes she will need more food to feed Mr. Loomis. These actions reveal that Ann hopes that he will get better and stay in the valley.

2. Ann is taking on a large amount of responsibility between taking care of the farm and Mr. Loomis. Why do you think Ann is so focused on providing good meals and entertainment to a man she just met?

Ann is focused on providing good meals and entertainment for Mr. Loomis because she wants to impress him. She was also likely taught that when you have a guest, you need to cater to their every need.

3. Ann, who is not even 16 yet, already has dreams of marrying Mr. Loomis. What reasons do you think she has for wanting to settle down with Mr. Loomis? Consider the time period in which the book is set and the standards society set for women. Do you think this dream is foolish or practical?

Ann has dreams of marrying Mr. Loomis because that is the logical next step for her life to go. In the era she lives in, it was socially acceptable for women to marry young and settle down. He is possibly the only man left on Earth. I think this dream is foolish/practical because (answers may vary)...

4. In Chapter 7 Ann describes an alphabet book from childhood that named people from the Bible. This is where we discover where the name of the book comes from. What do you think Ann is foreshadowing in the quote below?

“The last page of all was *Z for Zachariah*, and since I knew that Adam was the first man, for a long time I assumed that Zachariah must be the last man.”

Answers will vary... When Ann mentions that she used to believe that Zachariah was the last man, she may be foreshadowing how Mr. Loomis is the last man, that Mr. Loomis and Ann may have a child who is the last man, that another man may come named Zachariah...



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Z for Zachariah Questions Chapters 9-10

Directions: Answer the following questions based on what you read in *Z for Zachariah* Chapters 9 and 10. Remember to **restate the question** in your answer and to **provide evidence** when needed.

1. What kind of relationship do you think Edward and Mr. Loomis shared? Do you think they had a friendly encounter the last time they saw each other? Why or why not? **Provide evidence from the text to support your answer.**

I think Mr. Loomis and Edward probably had a working relationship. It didn't sound like they were friends. I do not think their last encounter was very friendly based on what Ann wrote. She states "If he is dreaming about Edward... why does he want to shoot him?" (109). If Mr. Loomis is dreaming about shooting him, it is likely he felt that way when he last saw him.

2. Why is corn the most beneficial and useful crop for Ann to plant on her field? **Provide evidence from the text to support your answer.**

Corn is the most beneficial and useful crop for Ann to plant because it can be eaten by her and Mr. Loomis, "by the chickens, and, if there was any left over, by the cows—stalks and all." This means that every part of the corn plant can be harvested and used to feed something on the farm.

3. How is taking care of Mr. Loomis while he's sick more difficult than taking care of a normal sick person? **Provide an example from the text to support your answer.**

Taking care of Mr. Loomis is more difficult than taking care of a normal sick person because his high fevers make him delusional and dangerous. For example, at one point during his fever he ran out of the house with a gun. He believed that Edward was trying to steal his suit and thought that shooting at the house was the best way to take care of the problem.

4. In Chapter 10, when Mr. Loomis becomes very sick Ann states "I felt calm—almost as if I were the older one." Why is this quote ironic? What has Ann been doing since Mr. Loomis arrived?

Ann stating that she feels like the "older-one" is ironic because she has been taking on all of the responsibility. Since he arrived, she has been in charge of food, water, taking care of the farm and Mr. Loomis. In a normal situation, Mr. Loomis would be taking care of these things.



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Z for Zachariah Questions Chapters 11-12

Directions: Answer the following questions based on what you read in *Z for Zachariah* Chapters 11 and 12. Remember to **restate the question** in your answer and to **provide evidence** when needed.

1. After Ann rescues the baby crow, she decides that it is a good omen. This means she believes it is a sign that good things are coming. What are crows typically associated with? What could the crow actually represent?

Crows are typically associated with death, evil, and other dark things.

Based on this, it is likely the crow represents a bad omen which means something terrible is coming or going to occur.

2. Why do you think Ann continues to care for Mr. Loomis even though she knows he is a killer? What does this reveal about the type of person Ann is? **Provide a specific example to support your answer.**

Ann continues to care for Mr. Loomis even though she knows he is a killer because she is a good person. According to the journal she states that she prayed for him to live through the night. Even though he may be a murderer, I do not want him to die (120).

3. In Chapter 12, Ann tries to decide whether Mr. Loomis is an evil man for killing Edward. What are her two opposing arguments? **Describe both sides and provide an example from the text to support both answers.**

When Ann tries to decide if Mr. Loomis is evil she considers two different arguments. One argument she comes up with is that "He may have been thinking not just of himself, but of human survival" (127) because the suit is very valuable. The opposing argument she wonders about is whether "Mr. Loomis was trying to keep the suit for himself" (127). Her decision on whether he is evil depends on which argument she decides to believe.

4. In Chapter 11 it is revealed that Mr. Loomis killed Edward, his coworker. What does this reveal about the type of man Mr. Loomis is? **Provide a specific example to support your answer.**

When it is revealed that Mr. Loomis killed Edward, we discover that Mr. Loomis is not compassionate and that he is willing to kill to get what he wants. According to the journal he states that he wouldn't lend the suit to Edward "to waste it on a visit to [his] dead wife."



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Z for Zachariah Questions Chapters 13-14

Directions: Answer the following questions based on what you read in *Z for Zachariah* Chapters 13 and 14. Remember to **restate the question** in your answer and to **provide evidence** when needed.

1. In Chapter 13 we learn that Ann wishes she could borrow the safe suit to go out of the valley in search of new books to read. Why is this a dangerous thing to want? What might happen if she tries to do this?

It is dangerous for Ann to want to borrow the suit because the last person to try and borrow it ended up dead. If Ann tries to take the suit, she may anger Mr. Loomis. This may lead her to get hurt or killed.

2. Why is Mr. Loomis upset with Ann for visiting the church? Do you think he was right to be upset? Why or why not?

Mr. Loomis is upset with Ann for visiting the church because he believes that she should have been using her time to work on the crops. I think that Mr. Loomis is right/wrong to be upset with Ann because (answers will vary)...

3. In Chapter 14, Mr. Loomis falls trying to get up from the bed. Why do you think he doesn't accept help from Ann to get back up? Why do you think he asks her to leave the room when he tries to get up on his own?

When Mr. Loomis falls from bed, he doesn't accept Ann's help because he is embarrassed that he can't walk on his own. He wants her to leave the room while he gets back up because he doesn't want her to pity him or to think he is weak.

4. At the beginning of Chapter 13, Ann realizes that she will never go to school to become a teacher. What types of feelings does Ann have about this realization? How do you think she feels about her situation? **Provide evidence from the text to support your answer.**

When Ann realizes that she will never get the chance to go back to school to become a teacher, she feels sad. According to her journal "It is still hard for [her] to realize, even after all this time, that [she is] not going to be anything..." This realization makes her feel sad because everything she will ever know about the world will be what she can see and do in the valley.



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Z for Zachariah Questions Chapters 15-16

Directions: Answer the following questions based on what you read in *Z for Zachariah* Chapters 15 and 16. Remember to **restate the question** in your answer and to **provide evidence** when needed.

1. In Chapter 15, Mr. Loomis tells Ann she cannot borrow the suit because it is too valuable. During this conversation, what realization does Ann come to about the suit? **Provide evidence from the text to support your answer.**

Ann realizes that Mr. Loomis thinks the suit is more valuable than she is. In the journal it states that "if [she] took it out and something went wrong, [he] could never get it back" (150). His consideration for the suit's safety is much higher than for Ann's.

2. In what ways are Ann and Mr. Loomis' visions for the future different? **Provide two examples from the text to support your answer.**

Mr. Loomis and Ann have very different visions for the future. For instance, when Mr. Loomis grabs her hand, he is trying to force himself into a relationship with Ann, where Ann is still dreaming of romance and love. Also, when Mr. Loomis doesn't allow Ann to borrow the suit for books, it is clear that he sees their future as a need for survival, not for whimsey and fun.

3. In Chapter 16, Ann tries to ask Mr. Loomis about his life before the war. How does he respond to these questions? What does this reveal about the way he views his relationship with Ann?

When Ann and Mr. Loomis are talking about his life before the war, he is very closed off and short with his answers. He is not giving any interest in Ann's past or her opinions which reveals that he views her more as a partner or work companion.

4. Based on the quote below, what is Ann finally realizing about Mr. Loomis? How might this change the way she acts and interacts with him?

"He was trying to control me, just as he had, in his way, controlled the planting, the use of the gasoline, the tractor, and even my going to church. And, of course, the suit, and, in the end, Edward."

In this excerpt, Ann is realizing that Mr. Loomis' goal is to control everything, including her. Based on this realization it would be smart of Ann to be more cautious and careful when she is around Mr. Loomis.



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Z for Zachariah Questions Chapters 17-18

Directions: Answer the following questions based on what you read in *Z for Zachariah* Chapters 17 and 18. Remember to **restate the question** in your answer and to **provide evidence** when needed.

1. What event happened in Chapter 18 that led Ann to go back to the cave? How does she know she will be safe in the cave?

Ann goes back to the cave because Mr. Loomis attacks her in the middle of the night as she is sleeping. She knows she will be safe there because she is certain he does not know where it is or that it exists.

2. Before the war, Ann preferred cooking in the kitchen; however, now she would rather be alone in the tractor. Why do you think she has changed her mind?

Before the war, working in the kitchen meant working with her mother and being around her family. Her preference for the tractor shows that she no longer enjoys the company of Mr. Loomis and would prefer working alone in the fields.

3. Why did Mr. Loomis make an effort to have a casual and friendly conversation with Ann at the dinner table? What was he trying to do? **Provide evidence to support your answer.**

Mr. Loomis makes an effort to have a casual and friendly conversation with Ann at the dinner table to reassure her that nothing is wrong after the hand holding incident. According to her journal, Ann "did feel a little more relaxed as a result" (167). Unfortunately, this is the same night in which Mr. Loomis attacked Ann while she was sleeping.

4. In Chapter 18, when Mr. Loomis attacks Ann. Why is she surprised at how strong he has become? What happened right before the attack that could have warned Ann that he was getting stronger?

Ann is surprised at how strong Mr. Loomis has become because he was still using the cane to walk and continues to have trouble walking up stairs. Right before she went to bed, Ann saw Mr. Loomis go down the steps of the porch and to his wagon without the use of his cane. This could have warned her that he was healthier than he had been acting.



Z for Zachariah Questions Chapters 19-20

Directions: Answer the following questions based on what you read in *Z for Zachariah* Chapters 19 and 20. Remember to **restate the question** in your answer and to **provide evidence** when needed.

1. Describe what Ann's plan for living in the valley with Mr. Loomis. What are some problems with her plan?

Ann's plan for living in the valley requires Mr. Loomis to stay far away from her. She also plans on bringing him food and water, taking care of the farm, and the crops. I think the major problem with this plan is that Ann is willing to trust Mr. Loomis to keep his distance even after what he did.

2. Why doesn't Ann want Mr. Loomis to see the fire she is building? What are two of the precautions she takes to ensure that Mr. Loomis will not be able to see the fire and smoke?

Ann doesn't want Mr. Loomis to see the fire she is building because she doesn't want him to know where she is staying. She makes sure to build a rock wall in front of the fire to block the flame and plans on only using it at night to make sure the smoke isn't visible.

3. It is obvious from these two chapters that Mr. Loomis does not plan on leaving Ann alone like she wants. What are two examples from the text that demonstrate how the reader knows Mr. Loomis is unwilling to let Ann live a life without him?

One example that demonstrates that Mr. Loomis is not willing to leave Ann alone is the fact that he tied Faro up to help track Ann. Another example that demonstrates Mr. Loomis' unwillingness to leave Ann alone is his consistent questioning about where she is staying and how she will survive.

4. At the end of Ann and Mr. Loomis' discussion about their living situation, Mr. Loomis tells her she is acting like a schoolgirl. What does he hope to do by calling her this? Do you think Ann is being foolish for moving out of the house? Why or why not?

By calling her a schoolgirl, Mr. Loomis is trying to make her feel childish and weak. I think Ann is foolish/not foolish for moving out of the house because (answers will vary)...



Z for Zachariah Questions Chapters 21-22

Directions: Answer the following questions based on what you read in *Z for Zachariah* Chapters 21 and 22 Remember to **restate the question** in your answer and to **provide evidence** when needed.

1. Why did Mr. Loomis take the key from the tractor? What is he hoping this will accomplish?

By taking the key to the tractor, Mr. Loomis is forcing Ann to come ask him for the key. He is hoping that this will make Ann realize how "foolish" she is acting and that she will come back to the house.

2. After Ann has finished talking with Mr. Loomis, why does she feel foolish? What was she expecting to happen during their conversation?

Ann feels foolish after her conversation because she expects him to be as considerate and respectful as she is to him. Ann was expecting him to give her some simple answer that she could brush off as not a big deal.

3. What critical mistake does Ann make while doing her morning chores? What consequences will likely happen because of this mistake? **Provide evidence from the text to support your answer.**

While doing her morning chores Ann forgets her milk pail. When she goes back to get it, Mr. Loomis notices. According to her journal he now realizes that she is staying "not more than a few minutes from the pond (206)." Mr. Loomis will be able to track her more easily with this information.

4. At the end of Chapter 22, Ann writes the statement below in her journal. How do you think Ann feels about what he has done? How do you think she feels about her own decisions?

"At fist I thought that, to go into the store and to use the tractor, I would have to ask permission each time. But then I had a worse thought: He was not going to give me any of the keys at all, to anything."

At this point, I think Ann feels very angry to see that Mr. Loomis has locked up the store. This is one of her main food supplies and she has been more than accommodating to Mr. Loomis in the past weeks. I think Ann is beginning to realize that he is very set in his ways and will not stop until he gets what he wants.



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Z for Zachariah Questions Chapters 23-24

Directions: Answer the following questions based on what you read in *Z for Zachariah* Chapters 21 and 22 Remember to **restate the question** in your answer and to **provide evidence** when needed.

1. When Mr. Loomis shoots at Ann, he stops when she has her back turned and is running to the woods. Why do you think Mr. Loomis stopped shooting at Ann?

Mr. Loomis stops shooting at Ann as she is running because he does not intend to kill her, just hurt her enough that she will come back to the house or to hurt her enough to make her easier to catch.

2. Why was Ann foolish enough to believe the store door was unlocked by accident? **Provide evidence from the text to support your answer.**

Ann is foolish to believe the store door was unlocked by accident because she is desperate. According to her journal, Ann's mind was flooded quickly with the tastes and smells of food [she] had not eaten for the past month" (232). Had Ann not been so hungry, she may not have fallen for the trap.

3. After hunting for Ann, Mr. Loomis locates Ann's cave. He then proceeds to destroy everything useful for survival. However, it is the burned book that Ann finds the most upsetting. Why do you think Mr. Loomis decided to burn the book? Based on this action, what are three words you could use to describe him?

Mr. Loomis decided to burn the book because he knew it meant a lot to her. It is also one of the only books she has access to. Based on this action I would describe Mr. Loomis as psychotic, childish, and deranged. By burning the book he is not hurting her ability to survive but her emotionally.

4. Below is an excerpt from when Ann decides she has to shoot Faro.

“Because suddenly I saw what I must do. Wherever I ran, as long as Mr. Loomis had Faro, he would find me. I knew that, therefore I had to shoot Faro.”

Why does Ann decide to shoot Faro and not Mr. Loomis? What does this reveal about her character? **Provide evidence from the text to support your answer.**

Ann makes the decision to shoot Faro and not Mr. Loomis because she still has hope that they can live in the valley together. She needs to shoot Faro to keep him from finding her. By choosing to not shoot Mr. Loomis, she is demonstrating the respect she has for herself and other human life.



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Z for Zachariah Questions Chapters 25-26

Directions: Answer the following questions based on what you read in *Z for Zachariah* Chapters 21 and 22. Remember to **restate the question** in your answer and to **provide evidence** when needed.

1. Describe the steps Ann took to steal the safe suit from Mr. Loomis. Why was it crucial for her to act quickly? **Provide evidence to support your answer.**

Ann tricked Mr. Loomis into leaving the farm and going to the south end of the valley. While he is away she is able to steal the suit and get to the edge of the valley. She had to act quickly because Mr. Loomis was caught off guard and frightened after he realized that she had a gun (240).

2. At the end of Chapter 25, Ann has successfully stolen the suit. Why does Ann decide to go back to the valley? What does she tell Mr. Loomis that keeps him from shooting her? **Provide evidence to support your answer.**

Ann decides to go back to the valley because Mr. Loomis' voice "may be the last human voice that [she] will ever hear" (244). To keep Mr. Loomis from shooting her, Ann tells him that she will tell others about where he is. He does not desire to die alone, so by letting her leave he is given hope that other survivors may come to the valley.

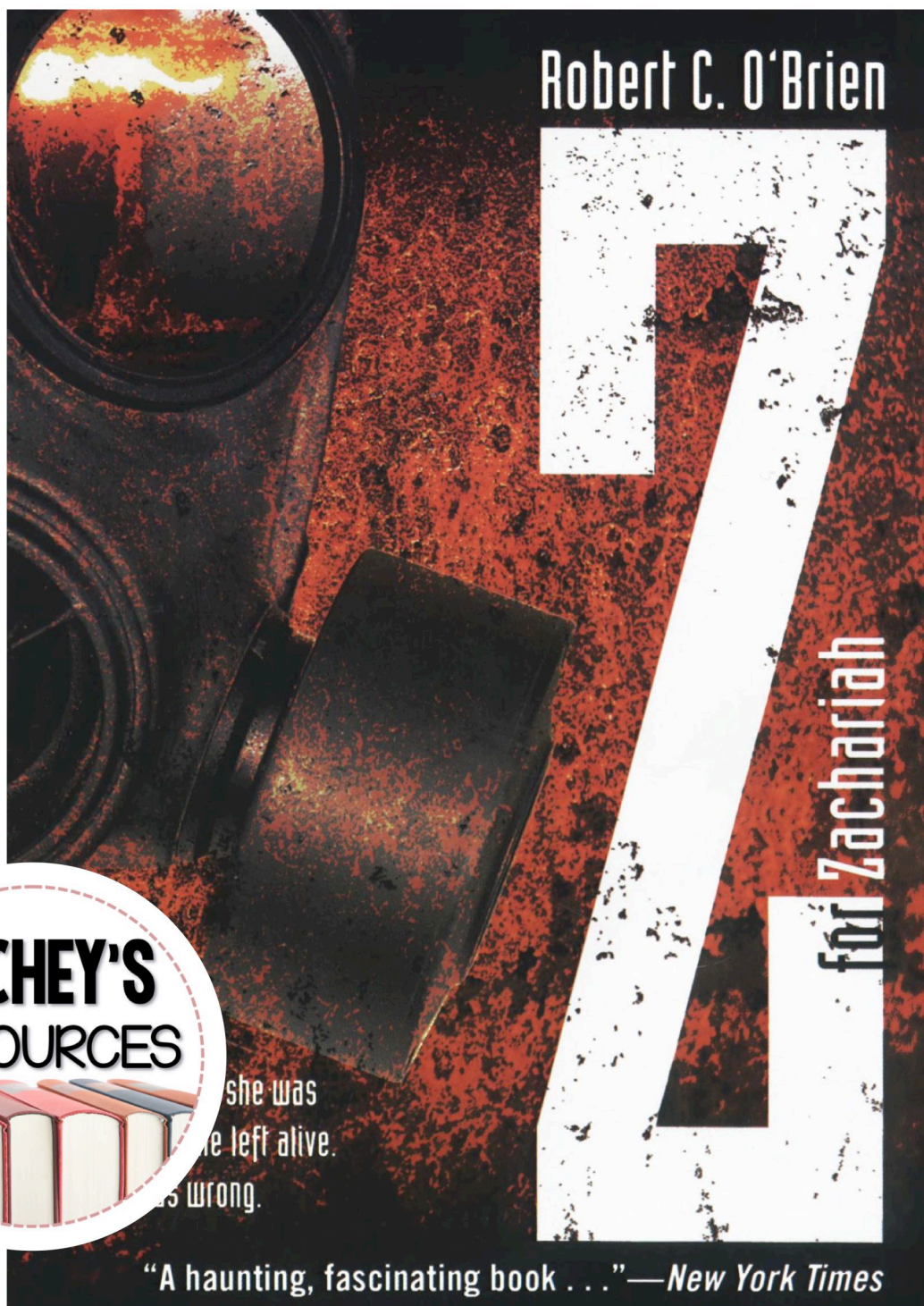
3. Why do you think Ann decided until now to reveal to Mr. Loomis that she knew about Edward's murder? What was Mr. Loomis trying to keep her from discovering?

Ann waited until now to reveal her knowledge about Edward's murder because she wanted to believe it wasn't true. Since Mr. Loomis didn't reveal the truth, he was trying to convince Ann that he was a good person. When the information was revealed, it became clear that he was a murderer.

4. When Ann is leaving the valley, he tells her to go to the west because he had seen birds flying there. What would birds signify? Why do you think Mr. Loomis decided to tell her about them?

The birds to the west likely signify another area of life like the valley. Mr. Loomis probably decides to tell her in hopes that she will keep her promise and tell someone about him. He fears being alone and does not want to die by himself in the valley.





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CHAPTER QUIZZES

Z for Zachariah Chapters 1-2 Quiz

Part 1 True or False:

1. True or False: The narrator believed she was the only person left in the world.
2. True or False: The strangers are a man and woman traveling together through the valley.
3. True or False: The narrator was purposefully left home when her family went to visit the Amish.
4. True or False: The narrator is worried about how she will look when she meets the travelers.
5. True or False: The war the narrator often refers to lasted six months.

Part 2 Multiple Choice:

6. Why does the narrator think the traveler will come into the valley?

- a. They will see the valley is still green.
- b. They will see the animals roaming.
- c. They will see the house.
- d. They will see signs of other human life.

7. Why is the narrator excited to see minnows (small fish) in the pond by her house?

- a. She thought the creek ran dry.
- b. It revealed the water wasn't poisoned.
- c. She believed she could catch them to eat.
- d. She wanted to feed them to her cat.

8. Where is our narrator able to get jeans and canned food from?

- a. Her house.
- b. Her neighbor's home.
- c. The store down the road.
- d. The Amish community outside of town.

9. Why is the narrator worried when she sees smoke in the distance?

- a. She is worried there is a fire in the forest.
- b. She thinks that someone is traveling around in the area.
- c. She is worried that it is another bomb.
- d. She thinks that there is a rescue party coming to save her.

10. Why does the narrator keep a journal?

- a. To share information with her friends.
- b. To share with the world what happened during the war.
- c. To keep track of the date and other useful information.
- d. To keep track of the weather patterns.



Z for Zachariah Chapters 3-4 Quiz

Part 1 True or False:

1. True or False: The man shot at the cow he heard moo in the distance.
2. True or False: All of the livestock the narrator set free ran away from the valley.
3. True or False: The narrator is surprised to see that her family's dog Faro returned unexpectedly.
4. True or False: The stranger is carrying at least two guns with him.
5. True or False: After seeing the green trees, the stranger immediately takes off his protective gear.

Part 2 Multiple Choice:

6. What does the stranger do when he sees Faro?

- a. He shoots at him.
- b. He tries to befriend him by giving him food.
- c. He tells him to scram.
- d. He tries to capture and leash him.

7. Why does the stranger become suddenly sick?

- a. He ate too much too quickly.
- b. He drank contaminated water.
- c. He ate canned food that was contaminated.
- d. He swam in contaminated water.

8. Why doesn't the narrator warn the man about swimming in Burden Creek?

- a. She doesn't know if it is toxic or not.
- b. She thinks it is safe to swim in the creek.
- c. She doesn't want to let the man know she's there.
- d. She just couldn't warn him in time.

9. Why doesn't the stranger sleep in the house?

- a. He can't get into the house because it is locked.
- b. There is no where to sleep inside the house.
- c. The tent he has helps protect him from radiation.
- d. He doesn't want to disturb the home.

10. Why doesn't the narrator reveal herself to the stranger?

- a. She wants to be left alone.
- b. She recognizes the man and doesn't trust him.
- c. She is afraid that he'll leave her like her parents did.
- d. She wants to make sure he is a kind person first.



Z for Zachariah Chapters 5-6 Quiz

Part 1 True or False:

1. True or False: The valley was protected from radiation because it was raining during the bombings.
2. True or False: Ann is able to get all the chickens back but not the cows.
3. True or False: Mr. Loomis used to work for the Air Force as a lab assistant.
4. True or False: Ann chooses not to tell him about the cave in case she needs it later.
5. True or False: Mr. Loomis almost turned around and gave up before he reached the valley.

Part 2 Multiple Choice:

6. What does Mr. Loomis do when Ann mentions Edward?

- a. He screams at her.
- b. He drops a glass of water.
- c. He acts confused and denies knowing him.
- d. He tells her that he was his brother.

7. According to Mr. Loomis, what is wrong with the water in Burden Creek?

- a. It is boiling hot from the sun.
- b. It has algae growing everywhere.
- c. It has radiation poisoning.
- d. It has nerve gas poisoning.

8. Why does Ann decide to help the stranger?

- a. She wants him to marry her.
- b. She thinks he can help her survive longer with his help.
- c. She had a dream that it was her father who was sick, so she wants to help him.
- d. She heard him screaming in the night for help.

9. How did Mr. Loomis get all of the gear he used to safely travel?

- a. He helped make it in a laboratory.
- b. He stole it from an Air Force base.
- c. He found it on the dead body of a scientist.
- d. It was given to him as a gift from a dying man.

10. Why does Ann let Mr. Loomis move into the house?

- a. Since she plans on staying in the cave, she doesn't need the house.
- b. He takes it from her by force.
- c. The house is full of too many memories of her family.
- d. It will be easier to take care of him in the house.



Z for Zachariah Chapters 7-8 Quiz

Part 1 True or False:

1. True or False: If there was nothing to do after dinner, Ann usually went to sleep.
2. True or False: Ann and Mr. Loomis caught three bass together in the pond.
3. True or False: Ann plays the piano for Mr. Loomis after dinner one night.
4. True or False: Ann is able to take apart the wood-coal stove from the barn by herself.
5. True or False: Ann wakes Mr. Loomis up from his second nightmare about Edward.

Part 2 Multiple Choice:

6. How does Mr. Loomis think he can get electricity back in the house?

- a. He'll get gas from the shop.
- b. They'll use the radiated water to create an electric current.
- c. He'll build a waterwheel and dam to create electricity from the stream.
- d. He'll travel out of the valley for generators.

7. What special treat does Ann make to go with the sea bass dinner she cooks?

- a. An apple pie.
- b. A salad of poke greens.
- c. Some biscuits.
- d. A chocolate cake.

8. Why does Mr. Loomis suddenly feel better?

- a. All the fresh food is helping him.
- b. The radiation sickness is finally over.
- c. Mr. Loomis will only feel better temporarily.
- d. The clean air helped to clear his lungs.

9. Why doesn't Ann go back to the cave to sleep?

- a. She is afraid Mr. Loomis will follow her.
- b. She hears his bad dream and is worried about him.
- c. She thinks it may be too cold in the cave.
- d. She doesn't want Mr. Loomis to worry about her if he wakes up.

10. What does Ann dream of doing next June?

- a. Planting an even larger garden for vegetables.
- b. Having a whole herd of cows in the valley.
- c. Traveling outside of the valley to find more people.
- d. Marrying Mr. Loomis under an apple tree.



Z for Zachariah Chapters 9-10 Quiz

Part 1 True or False:

1. True or False: Ann decides to plant soy beans on the empty lot with the tractor.
2. True or False: Ann sees several robins fly above her while she is in the tractor.
3. True or False: Ann is worried about leaving Mr. Loomis alone in the house.
4. True or False: Ann wishes she had warned Mr. Loomis about the creek.
5. True or False: Mr. Loomis asks for a iced tea with sugar.

Part 2 Multiple Choice:

6. Why did Ann have to stop planting her seeds on the field?

- a. Her tractor runs out of gas.
- b. The tractor's engine died.
- c. Mr. Loomis comes down with a very high fever.
- d. The field she wanted to use was radioactive.

7. What miracle was Mr. Loomis hoping for?

- a. That he wouldn't get sick.
- b. That the generator would work.
- c. That he could have iced tea.
- d. That Ann would tell him how she feels.

8. Who does Mr. Loomis think is in the house?

- a. Faro
- b. A burglar
- c. Edward
- d. A ghost

9. What task is Mr. Loomis able to help Ann with?

- a. He helps her understand how to use the gas pump at the store.
- b. He shows her how to hook up the generator for electricity.
- c. He is able to get the stove working.
- d. He hitches the cart to the tractor.

10. What does Mr. Loomis do when Ann arrives from the store?

- a. He runs out of the house and faints from his fever.
- b. He runs out of the house, grabs his gun, and shoots at the house.
- c. He runs out of the house and gives Ann a big hug.
- d. He runs out of the house and screams at Ann for leaving.



Z for Zachariah Chapters 11-12 Quiz

Part 1 True or False:

1. True or False: Faro finds a baby crow in the church.
2. True or False: Ann discovers three patched bullet holes in the suit.
3. True or False: Mr. Loomis was willing to give Edward the suit if he promised to bring it back.
4. True or False: Ann doesn't think that Mr. Loomis will survive.
5. True or False: After Ann discovers Mr. Loomis is a murderer, she wishes he will die.

Part 2 Multiple Choice:

6. What does Ann do to try and help Mr. Loomis feel better?

- a. She goes to the store to get medicine.
- b. She changes the bedding that is dirty.
- c. She brings him boiled milk every hour.
- d. She goes to the church to pray.

7. Why did Edward want to take the suit?

- a. He wanted to go looking for supplies.
- b. He wanted to find his family.
- c. He wanted to find help.
- d. He wanted to travel to a local military base for safety.

8. What does Mr. Loomis keep calling Edward?

- a. A murderer
- b. A genius
- c. A thief
- d. A monster

9. How does Ann first discover that Mr. Loomis shot Edward?

- a. She reads it in his diary.
- b. She overhears him relive the conversation while he is sick.
- c. She discovers the bullet holes in the suit.
- d. She hears him confess while he is dreaming.

10. What does Mr. Loomis keep dreaming about when he's sick?

- a. He is dreaming about the last days he spent with Edward.
- b. He is dreaming about his wife and family that died.
- c. He is dreaming about a robbery taking place in the house.
- d. He is dreaming about a future with Ann in the valley.



Z for Zachariah Chapters 13-14 Quiz

Part 1 True or False:

1. True or False: Ann claims she has read all her books twenty times or more.
2. True or False: Ann drags the pieces of the stove on a wagon back to the house.
3. True or False: Ann is unable to work the tractor while Mr. Loomis is sick because it is broken.
4. True or False: Mr. Loomis tells Ann he could hear her playing the piano while he was sick.
5. True or False: Ann changes Mr. Loomis' sheets and blankets while he is still sleeping on the bed.

Part 2 Multiple Choice:

6. Why does Ann want to leave the valley in the safe suit?

- a. To escape Mr. Loomis.
- b. To see if there are other survivors.
- c. To search for new books to read.
- d. To find more canned food.

7. What other profession did Ann consider becoming besides a teacher?

- a. A doctor
- b. A nurse
- c. A music teacher
- d. A veterinarian

8. What age does Ann turn on her birthday?

- a. 15
- b. 16
- c. 17
- d. 18

9. Besides for her birthday, what other reason does Ann make a cake for?

- a. To celebrate the stove working again.
- b. To celebrate the garden growing.
- c. To celebrate the start of summer.
- d. To celebrate Mr. Loomis getting better.

10. Why is Mr. Loomis upset with Ann for going to church while he is ill?

- a. He is upset that she didn't stay with him while he was sick.
- b. He is upset that she didn't plant the corn in the fields.
- c. He is upset that she didn't go to the store for medicine.
- d. He is upset that she didn't tend to the cows instead.



Z for Zachariah Chapters 15-16 Quiz

Part 1 True or False:

1. True or False: The first time Mr. Loomis walks, he shouts at Ann to come see.
2. True or False: Ann is able to find a cane in the closet for Mr. Loomis to use while walking.
3. True or False: Ann tells Mr. Loomis about how she found the bullet holes in the suit.
4. True or False: Mr. Loomis tells Ann to pray for the calf when she goes to the church.
5. True or False: Mr. Loomis remembers when Ann held his hand while he was very sick.

Part 2 Multiple Choice:

6. What two plants does Ann plant in the field?

- a. Squash and eggplants.
- b. Lettuce and pumpkin.
- c. Potatoes and tomatoes.
- d. Beets and wheat.

7. How did Mr. Loomis react when Ann offered to go get the books from the library?

- a. He said he would consider it.
- b. He told her never to touch the suit.
- c. He screamed at her.
- d. He said she could use it soon.

8. Why does Ann hit Mr. Loomis in the face?

- a. She accidentally flung her arm up when she was falling.
- b. He was trying to kiss her.
- c. Mr. Loomis was pulling her too close to him.
- d. She didn't want him to hold her hand.

9. How does Mr. Loomis respond when Ann asks him questions to try to get to know more about him?

- a. He becomes closed off and shares very little with Ann.
- b. He becomes sad about his family that he lost.
- c. He becomes angry that she would ask such personal questions.
- d. He becomes quiet and leaves the porch.

10. Why is Ann uneasy about Mr. Loomis being able to walk again?

- a. She is worried he will fall without her there to support him.
- b. She is afraid that he will gain back his strength and use that to control her.
- c. She is uncertain whether he will be as healthy as he was before he was sick.
- d. She is annoyed that he will be able to follow her wherever she goes.



Z for Zachariah Chapters 17-18 Quiz

Part 1 True or False:

1. True or False: Mr. Loomis watches Ann as she fertilizes the field.
2. True or False: When Mr. Loomis comes out of the house, he doesn't use the cane to help him walk.
3. True or False: After the attack, Ann decided to start locking her door.
4. True or False: Mr. Loomis becomes well enough to eat at the dining room table.
5. True or False: Ann feels safe playing the piano with Mr. Loomis sitting behind her.

Part 2 Multiple Choice:

6. Why does Ann agree to read and play piano for Mr. Loomis?

- a. He threatens her.
- b. He begs her.
- c. She is too polite to say no.
- d. She wants to make him happy.

7. What is Mr. Loomis looking for when he comes out of the house?

- a. Ann
- b. Faro
- c. The suit
- d. His gun

8. Why is Ann grateful she didn't tell Mr. Loomis about the cave?

- a. She will be able to hide from him there.
- b. She can stay there during the storm.
- c. She can use it store food that needs to stay cold.
- d. She will be able to use it as a place to rest from work.

9. How is Ann able to escape from Mr. Loomis when he tries to attack her in bed?

- a. As soon as Faro barks, she runs out of the room.
- b. She pretends to still be sleeping which allows her to surprise attack him.
- c. Faro bites Mr. Loomis when he comes into the room.
- d. She hears the cane before he walks in which allows her to hide.

10. Why does Ann stop playing the piano?

- a. She becomes very tired.
- b. She feels uneasy after Mr. Loomis "drops his cane."
- c. She doesn't feel well.
- d. She is upset at how poorly she is playing and decides to quit.



Z for Zachariah Chapters 19-20 Quiz

Part 1 True or False:

1. True or False: Ann wishes Mr. Loomis was dead.
2. True or False: Faro is not used to being tied up or on a leash.
3. True or False: Ann brings a gun with her when she goes to talk to Mr. Loomis.
4. True or False: Ann is able to build a wall to conceal the fire she will use while at the cave.
5. True or False: Ann brought food for Mr. Loomis from the garden and the store.

Part 2 Multiple Choice:

6. Why does Mr. Loomis tie Faro up?

- a. He wants Faro to lead him to Ann.
- b. He doesn't want Ann to steal him.
- c. He doesn't want him in the house.
- d. He wants to make sure he doesn't runaway.

7. Where does Ann stop first after she leaves the house?

- a. The cave
- b. The store
- c. The pond
- d. The edge of the valley

8. What was the thud sound Ann heard while in the store?

- a. Mr. Loomis trying to get in.
- b. The tractor being driven up to the store.
- c. Faro knocking over canned food.
- d. The wind shutting the front door.

9. What is Ann's plan now that she can no longer trust Mr. Loomis?

- a. She wants him to leave the valley.
- b. She wants him to leave her alone, but she'll still help him survive.
- c. She wants him to move out of the house.
- d. She wants him to help her do the work around the farm.

10. What does Mr. Loomis say Ann acts like?

- a. A sensible adult.
- b. A school girl
- c. A flirt
- d. A cry baby



Z for Zachariah Chapters 21-22 Quiz

Part 1 True or False:

1. True or False: Ann hasn't been able to write in her journal for over a week.
2. True or False: Mr. Loomis brought his gun with him when he went looking for Ann.
3. True or False: Mr. Loomis hid in the trees to try and see where Ann was staying.
4. True or False: Mr. Loomis made chicken soup with the chicken Ann brought him.
5. True or False: Mr. Loomis believed that Ann was living in the apartment above the store.

Part 2 Multiple Choice:

6. How was Ann able to hide what direction of the valley she was living in?

- a. She took a different route down to the farm.
- b. She distracted him with a noise.
- c. She tricked Faro with food to go in the wrong direction.
- d. She set up a fake camp in the opposite direction.

7. Why does Ann continue to keep an eye on Mr. Loomis?

- a. She's afraid he will get hurt.
- b. She's worried he'll get sick.
- c. She doesn't trust him.
- d. She wants to break into the house.

8. Why did Mr. Loomis padlock the front and back doors of the store?

- a. To keep animals from getting in.
- b. To give him more control over Ann.
- c. To ensure the food was safe.
- d. To ration out the food.

9. What happened to the tractor key?

- a. Ann dropped it and it fell between the floor boards.
- b. Mr. Loomis lost it.
- c. Mr. Loomis took it purposefully.
- d. Mr. Loomis threw it into the corn field.

10. By bringing back the milk pail, what did Mr. Loomis discover?

- a. He discovered that she was stealing milk.
- b. He discovered exactly where she was staying.
- c. He discovered what direction of the valley Ann was living in.
- d. He discovered that she has a hiding spot for her tools.



Z for Zachariah Chapters 23-24 Quiz

Part 1 True or False:

1. True or False: Ann believes at first that Mr. Loomis locked the store to ration the food.
2. True or False: Mr. Loomis accidentally left the door to the store open.
3. True or False: Ann kills Faro by shooting him.
4. True or False: Mr. Loomis left Ann alone in the valley to live on her own for almost a month.
5. True or False: While in the valley, Ann survives by eating fresh chicken eggs everyday.

Part 2 Multiple Choice:

6. Where was Ann shot?

- a. Her arm.
- b. Her chest.
- c. Her thigh.
- d. Her ankle.

7. Why does Mr. Loomis shoot at Ann?

- a. She was trying to steal the key to the store.
- b. She was trying to steal the suit.
- c. He wanted to make her easier to catch.
- d. He wanted to kill her.

8. Why did Ann feel like she needed to kill Faro?

- a. She didn't want him to lead Mr. Loomis to her.
- b. Faro had radiation poisoning and she wanted to end his suffering.
- c. She knew Mr. Loomis was going to torture him.
- d. She was worried that he was going to runaway.

9. While Ann has been hiding, what has Mr. Loomis been doing?

- a. Hunting for her in the valley.
- b. Cultivating the garden and chopping wood.
- c. Packing up his tent and supplies.
- d. Riding the tractor out of the valley in the suit.

10. Out of everything Mr. Loomis has done, what has made Ann the most upset?

- a. When he shot her.
- b. When he burned her book.
- c. When he locked up the store.
- d. When he made Faro her enemy.



Z for Zachariah Chapters 25-26 Quiz

Part 1 True or False:

1. True or False: Ann is unable to bury Faro because she does not have a shovel.
2. True or False: Ann tells Mr. Loomis she doesn't want to be hunted like an animal.
3. True or False: Ann makes sure to grab some fresh chicken eggs before she leaves.
4. True or False: Mr. Loomis revealed to Ann that he killed Edward.
5. True or False: Ann throws a rock with a note tied onto it through the house window for Mr. Loomis.

Part 2 Multiple Choice:

6. What does Ann give Mr. Loomis as she leaves?

- a. The suit.
- b. Her journal.
- c. Hope.
- d. Her gun.

7. What stops Mr. Loomis from shooting Ann?

- a. He doesn't want to ruin the suit.
- b. He has run out of bullets.
- c. He is in shock after revealing she knows about Edward.
- d. He is too far away to hit her.

8. Why did Ann decide to go back and talk to Mr. Loomis after she has the suit?

- a. She wants to give him one last chance.
- b. She is worried he may be the last human voice she will ever hear.
- c. She wants to tell him about Faro's death.
- d. She wants to try and shoot him, like he shot her.

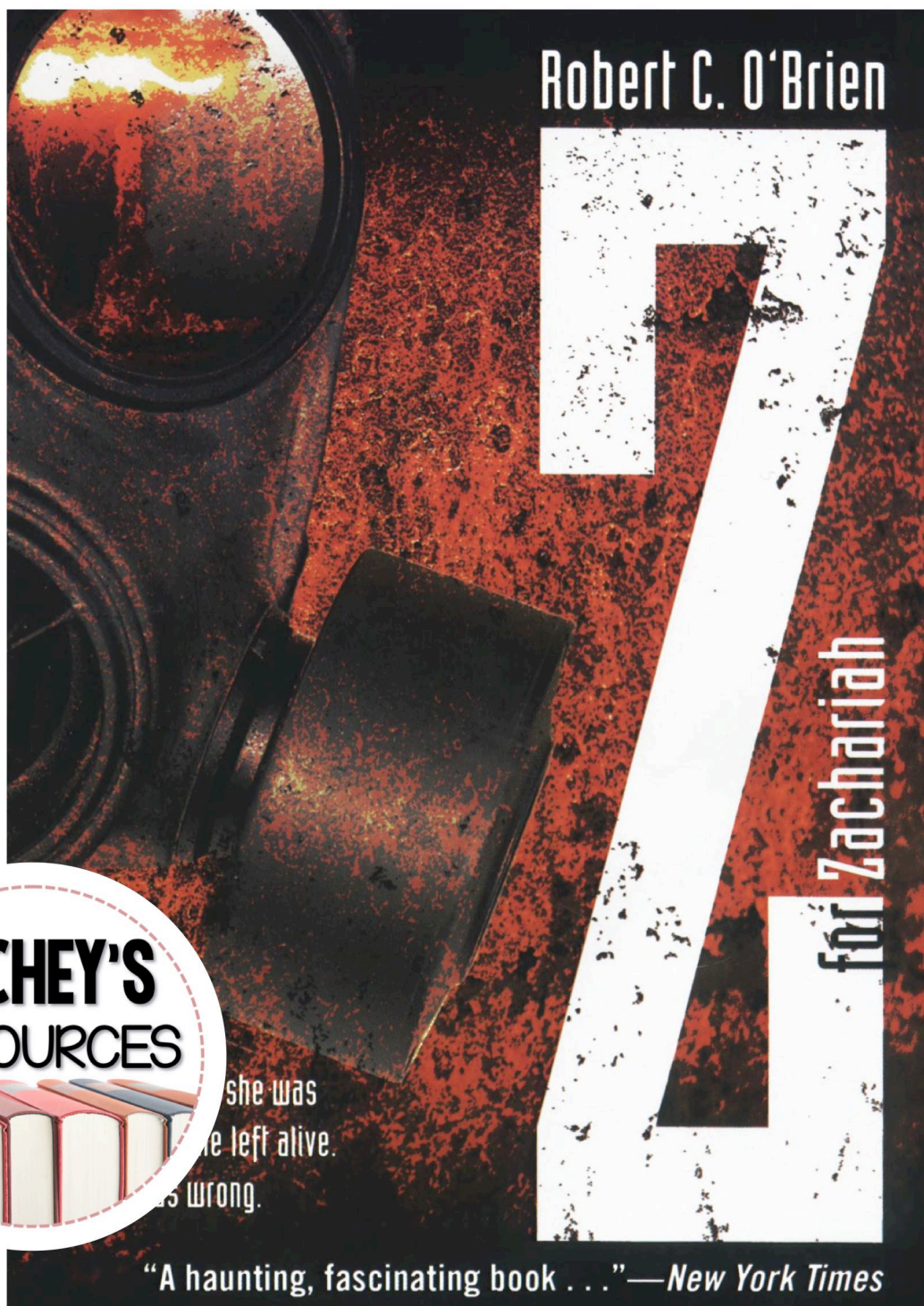
9. Why does Ann ask Mr. Loomis to meet her at the flat rock at the south end of the valley?

- a. She wants to make another deal for him to leave her alone.
- b. She wants to get him away from the farm.
- c. She wants to steal the store key from him.
- d. She wants to kill him.

10. Why did Mr. Loomis tell Ann to go towards the west when she left the valley?

- a. He knows there is radiation that will harm her towards the East.
- b. He wants her to bring him back another suit.
- c. He saw birds flying towards the west.
- d. He saw a plane flying towards the west.





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CHAPTER QUIZ ANSWERS

Z for Zachariah Quiz Answers

Quiz 1-2

1. True
2. False
3. True
4. True
5. False
6. A
7. B
8. C
9. B
- 10.C

Quiz 3-4

1. False
2. False
3. True
4. True
5. False
6. B
7. D
8. C
9. C
- 10.D

Quiz 5-6

1. False
2. False
3. False
4. True
5. True
6. B
7. C
8. C
9. A
- 10.D

Quiz 7-8

1. True
2. False
3. True
4. True
5. False
6. C
7. B
8. C
9. B
- 10.D

Quiz 9-10

1. False
2. False
3. True
4. True
5. True
6. C
7. C
8. B
9. A
- 10.B

Quiz 11-12

1. True
2. True
3. False
4. True
5. False
6. D
7. B
8. C
9. D
- 10.A

Quiz 13-14

1. True
2. True
3. False
4. True
5. True
6. C
7. B
8. B
9. D
- 10.B

Quiz 15-16

1. False
2. True
3. False
4. True
5. True
6. D
7. B
8. A
9. A
- 10.B

Quiz 17-18

1. True
2. True
3. False
4. True
5. False
6. C
7. C
8. A
9. B
- 10.B

Quiz 19-20

1. False
2. True
3. False
4. True
5. True
6. A
7. B
8. D
9. B
- 10.B

Quiz 21-22

1. True
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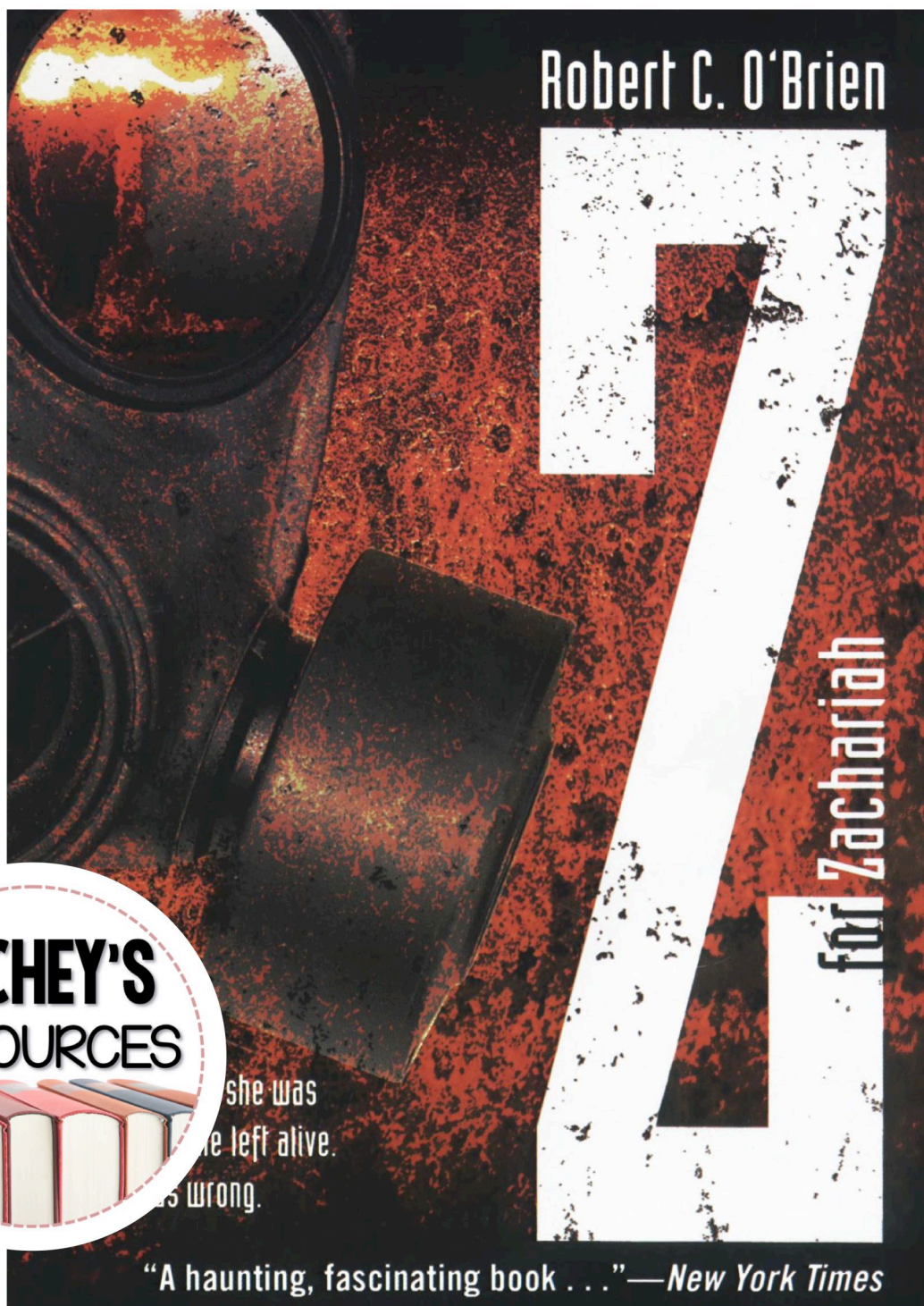
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6. D
7. C
8. A
9. B
- 10.B

Quiz 25-26

1. True
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4. False
5. False
6. C
7. C
8. B
9. B
- 10.C





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CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

Z for Zachariah Setting Activity

Directions: In Chapters 1, 2 and 3 of *Z for Zachariah*, our narrator goes into great detail about where she lives. Write down four direct quotes from the story that describe the setting. Then sketch a picture of where she lives based on the information found in the quotes.

Setting Picture #1:

Quote #1:

Page Number:

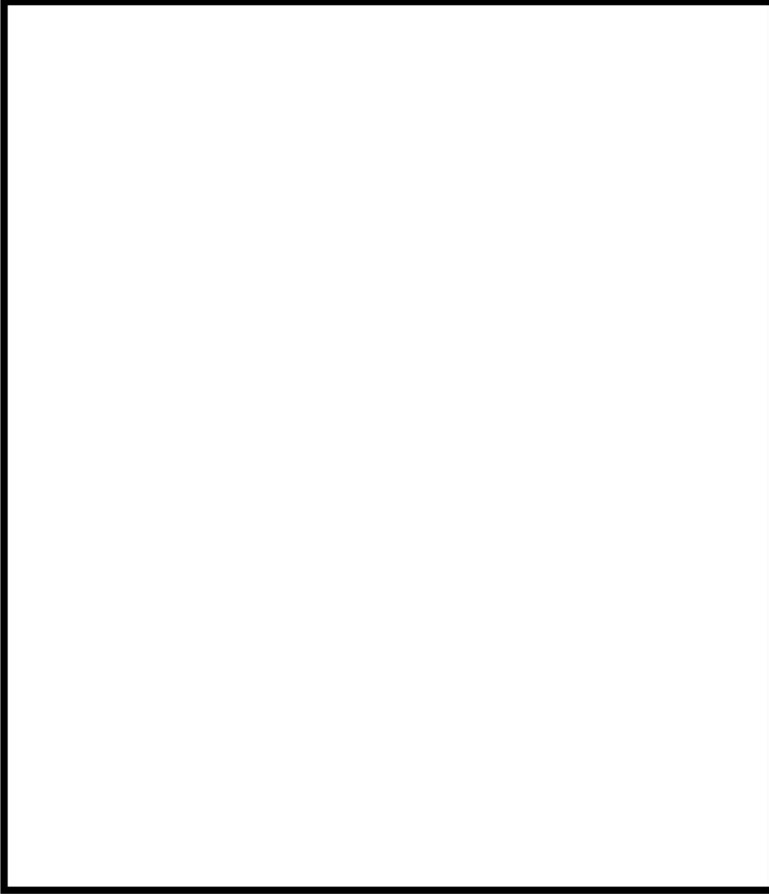
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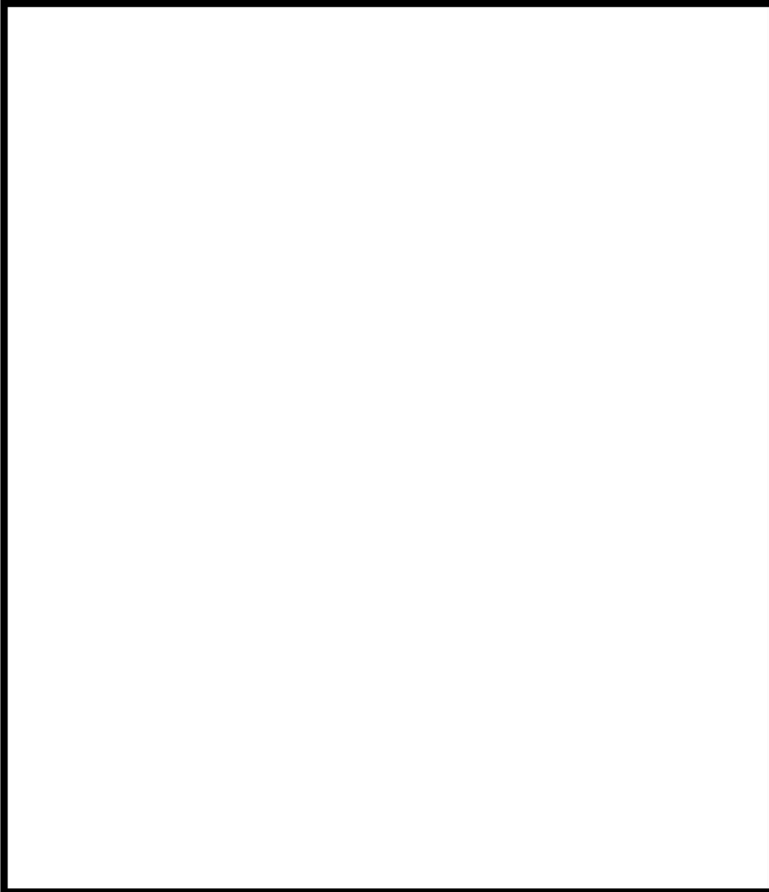
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Setting Picture #4:



Quote #4:

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Z for Zachariah Character Trait Activity: The Narrator

Directions: Based on what you have read so far about the narrator, select nine character traits that describe her. Then, write one sentence explaining your choice with an example from the text.

• Nervous	• Shy	• Naive	• Trusting	• Senseless
• Diligent	• Friendly	• Hopeful	• Dangerous	• Strong
• Thoughtful	• Clever	• Tough	• Resourceful	• Reckless
• Irresponsible	• Trusting	• Selfish	• Fearless	• Responsible
• Unstable	• Brave	• Stubborn	• Confident	• Hardworking
• Kind	• Intelligent	• Observant	• Lazy	• Immature

Character Trait #1: Example: I would consider the narrator resourceful because she is able to stay alive alone through the harsh winter.	Character Trait #2:	Character Trait #3:
Character Trait #4:	Character Trait #5:	Character Trait #6:
Character Trait #7:	Character Trait #8:	Character Trait #9:

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Z for Zachariah Character Trait Activity: Mr. Loomis

Directions: Based on what you have read so far about the Mr. Loomis, select nine character traits that describe him. Then, write one sentence explaining your choice with an example from the text.

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|-----------------|-------------|-----------------|----------------|---------------|
| • Nervous | • Deceitful | • Naive | • Manipulative | • Senseless |
| • Diligent | • Friendly | • Unpleasant | • Dangerous | • Strong |
| • Thoughtful | • Clever | • Tough | • Resourceful | • Reckless |
| • Irresponsible | • Trusting | • Selfish | • Erratic | • Responsible |
| • Unstable | • Unkind | • Stubborn | • Secretive | • Hardworking |
| • Intelligent | • Wicked | • Untrustworthy | • Lazy | • Controlling |

Character Trait #1:

Example:

I would consider Mr. Loomis **resourceful** because he has a background in science and is able to help fix things around the farm.

Character Trait #2:

Character Trait #3:

Character Trait #4:

Character Trait #5:

Character Trait #6:

Character Trait #7:

Character Trait #8:

Character Trait #9:



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INTERNAL + EXTERNAL CONFLICT:

In stories there is often many different conflicts occurring. There are two main types of conflicts that a character can encounter. These are called internal conflicts and external conflicts.

Internal Conflict: An Internal Conflict is when a character struggles mentally with a decision or choice. The character has to weigh many different factors like guilt, good versus bad, and other social expectations. (The conflict is inside the character's mind)

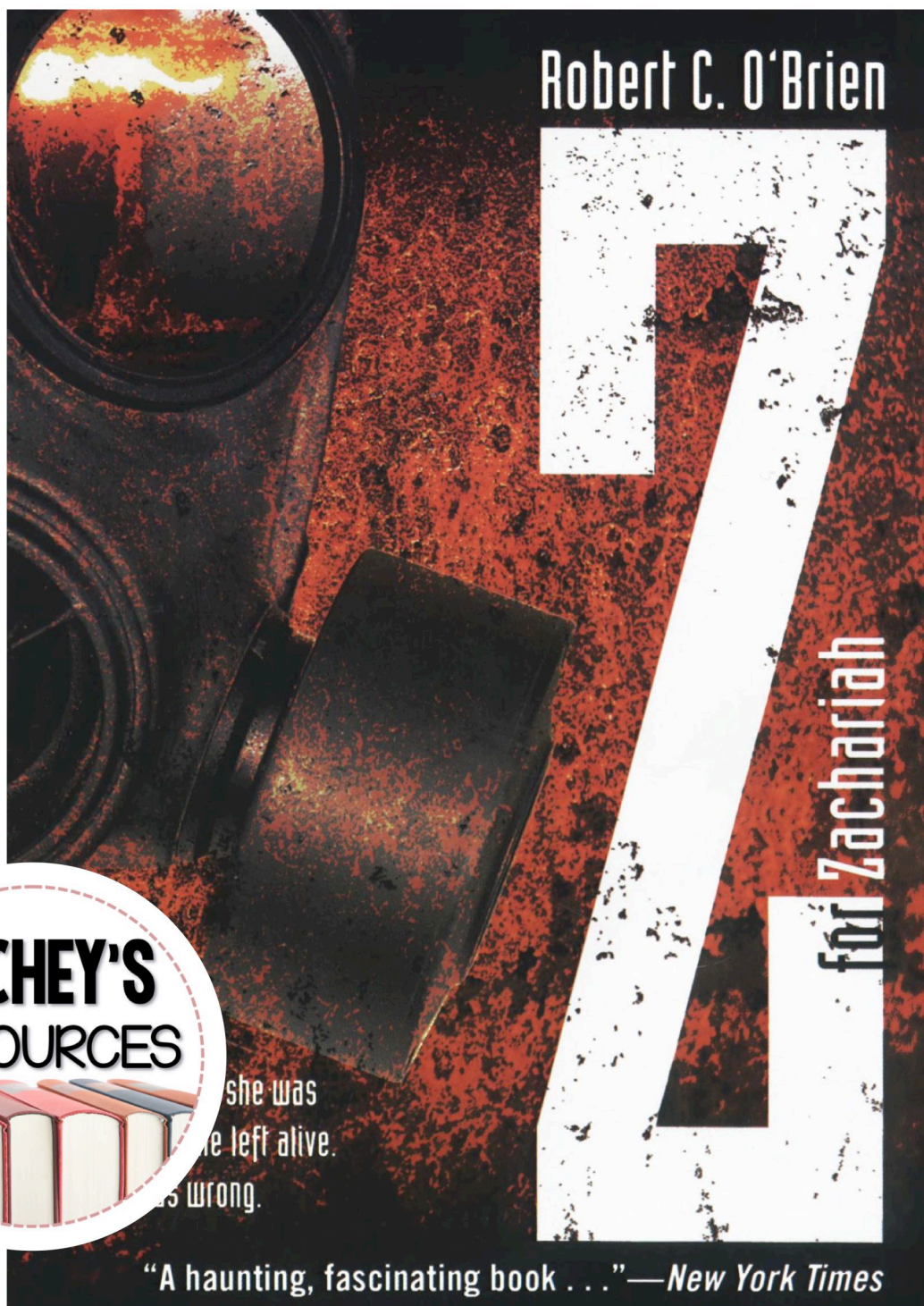
Examples of Internal Conflict: Should I stand up to my bully? Should I ask that cute girl out?

External Conflict: An External Conflict is when the character encounters a struggle or problem from an outside force. (The conflict is outside the character's mind)

Examples of External Conflict: Trying to fight the dragon or surviving in a snow blizzard.

Directions: Throughout the story, it is clear that Ann struggles with many different internal and external conflicts. Fill out the chart below with as many examples as you can identify from the story.

INTERNAL CONFLICTS:	EXTERNAL CONFLICTS:
<p>Example: Ann deciding to reveal herself to Mr. Loomis.</p> <p>1.</p> <p>2.</p> <p>3.</p> <p>4.</p> <p>5.</p> <p>6.</p>	<p>Example: Ann having to survive out in the woods without access to food.</p> <p>1.</p> <p>2.</p> <p>3.</p> <p>4.</p> <p>5.</p> <p>6.</p>



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CHAPTER JOURNAL RESPONSES

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Writing Entry Chapters 1-2

Directions: Respond to the following writing prompt with your thoughts, ideas, opinions, and predictions. Remember to answer all questions asked in the prompt, restate the question in your answer, and write a minimum of **five sentences**.

Prompt: In these two chapters we get a glimpse of how difficult and challenging living alone without electricity, running water, and technology is for our narrator. What do you think are some challenges you would face if you were suddenly put in the same situation? Think about what you would do to feed yourself, keep yourself entertained, and how you would survive in the winter. Do you think it would be easy? Why or why not?

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Writing Entry Chapters 3-4

Directions: Respond to the following writing prompt with your thoughts, ideas, opinions, and predictions. Remember to answer all questions asked in the prompt, restate the question in your answer, and write a minimum of **five sentences**.

Prompt: Reread the entry titled May 25 at the end of Chapter 3. Rewrite this portion of the chapter from the point of view of the stranger. Be sure to include his emotions and thoughts about getting to take a bath in "clean" creek water.

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Writing Entry Chapters 5-6

Directions: Respond to the following writing prompt with your thoughts, ideas, opinions, and predictions. Remember to answer all questions asked in the prompt, restate the question in your answer, and write a minimum of **five sentences**.

Prompt: In Chapter 5 we learn that the narrator, Ann has decided to take care of Mr. Loomis. She does not know this man, she has no reason to take care of him, nor will she receive a reward for doing so. If you were in the same situation, would you be willing to do the same thing? Why or why not?

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Writing Entry Chapters 7-8

Directions: Respond to the following writing prompt with your thoughts, ideas, opinions, and predictions. Remember to answer all questions asked in the prompt, restate the question in your answer, and write a minimum of **five sentences**.

Prompt: Do you think Anne is a typical teenage girl? Why or why not? Do you think a typical girl from today's time period could survive for as long as Ann? Provide a specific reason to support your answer.

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Writing Entry Chapters 9-10

Directions: Respond to the following writing prompt with your thoughts, ideas, opinions, and predictions. Remember to answer all questions asked in the prompt, restate the question in your answer, and write a minimum of **five sentences**.

Prompt: At the beginning of Mr. Loomis' high fever, he tells Ann that she's "going to wish [he] had never come." She's already taken on more responsibility than most teenagers her age and now has to take care of him while he is sick. Do you think she will eventually wish that he had never come? Why or why not?

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Writing Entry Chapters 11-12

Directions: Respond to the following writing prompt with your thoughts, ideas, opinions, and predictions. Remember to answer all questions asked in the prompt, restate the question in your answer, and write a minimum of **five sentences**.

Prompt: Now that Ann has learned that Mr. Loomis is a murderer, do you think she will still dream about marrying him and raising a family? Why or why not? Do you think she should allow Mr. Loomis to live in the valley if he gets better? Why or why not?

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Writing Entry Chapters 13-14

Directions: Respond to the following writing prompt with your thoughts, ideas, opinions, and predictions. Remember to answer all questions asked in the prompt, restate the question in your answer, and write a minimum of **five sentences**.

Prompt: In Chapter 14, Ann realizes that she is no longer the sole decision maker for what happens in the valley. Now, Ann will have to consider the opinions and ideas of Mr. Loomis before she can do anything. How will this change the way she lives in the valley? Do you think having additional input will be beneficial or problematic?

Provide an example from the story to support your answer.

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Writing Entry Chapters 15-16

Directions: Respond to the following writing prompt with your thoughts, ideas, opinions, and predictions. Remember to answer all questions asked in the prompt, restate the question in your answer, and write a minimum of **five sentences**.

Prompt: Why do you think it took Ann so long to realize that Mr. Loomis is probably not a good man? What previous events in the story led you to realize he was not a good person? **Provide an example from the story to support your answer.**

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Writing Entry Chapters 17-18

Directions: Respond to the following writing prompt with your thoughts, ideas, opinions, and predictions. Remember to answer all questions asked in the prompt, restate the question in your answer, and write a minimum of **five sentences**.

Prompt: Now that Mr. Loomis has attacked Ann, how do you think the story will continue? Make three predictions about what will happen between Ann and Mr. Loomis. **Provide reasoning or examples to support each answer.**

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Writing Entry Chapters 19-20

Directions: Respond to the following writing prompt with your thoughts, ideas, opinions, and predictions. Remember to answer all questions asked in the prompt, restate the question in your answer, and write a minimum of **five sentences**.

Prompt: At the end of Chapter 20, Ann begins to speculate and wonder what would have happened if Mr. Loomis had not found the valley. This leads her to wonder whether there are other valleys with survivors. Do you think there could be other survivors? What do you think their life is like? Do you think they have it worse or better than Ann?

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Writing Entry Chapters 21-22

Directions: Respond to the following writing prompt with your thoughts, ideas, opinions, and predictions. Remember to answer all questions asked in the prompt, restate the question in your answer, and write a minimum of **five sentences**.

Prompt: Even after everything that has happened, Ann continued to be needlessly accommodating to Mr. Loomis' needs. How do you think Ann reacted when she discovered she was locked out of the store? How do you think Mr. Loomis' life will change now that he has made such extreme decisions to control her and what she does? Do you think he will regret what he has done? Why or why not?

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Writing Entry Chapters 23-24

Directions: Respond to the following writing prompt with your thoughts, ideas, opinions, and predictions. Remember to answer all questions asked in the prompt, restate the question in your answer, and write a minimum of **five sentences**.

Prompt: In Chapter 24, Ann reveals that she has decided to leave the valley. Do you think this is a smart plan? Why or why not? What problems do you see arising from her plan? Do you think she will be successful? Why or why not?

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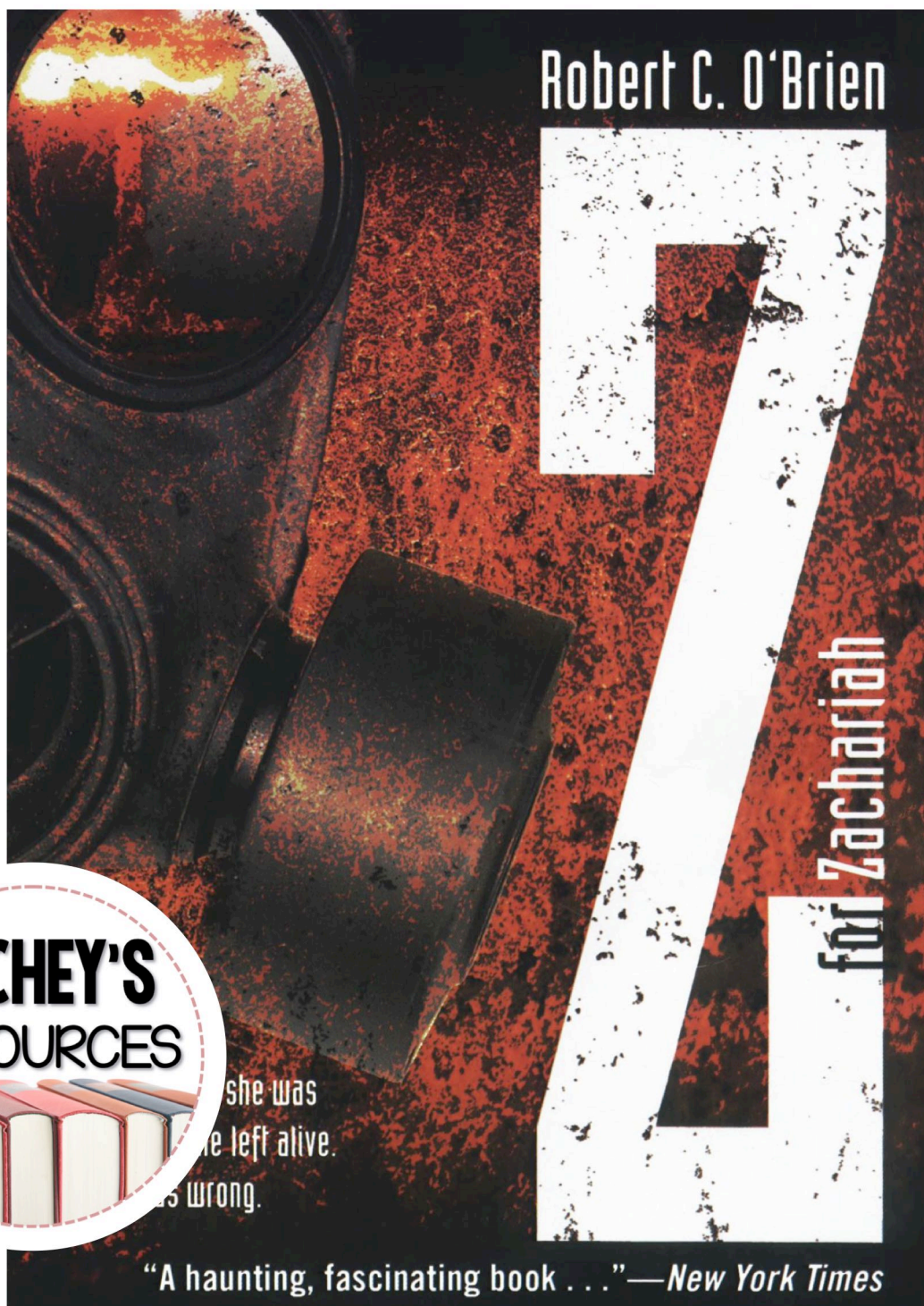
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Writing Entry Chapters 25-26

Directions: Respond to the following writing prompt with your thoughts, ideas, opinions, and predictions. Remember to answer all questions asked in the prompt, restate the question in your answer, and write a minimum of **five sentences**.

Prompt: In the end, Ann has taken the suit in search of a new home and more survivors, while Mr. Loomis is forced to stay in the valley with the farm. If you were in their situation, which would you choose? Would risk leaving the safety of the valley to go in search of others or would you rather stay in the valley? Provide three reasons to support your decision.

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ESSAY PROMPTS

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ARGUMENTATIVE ESSAY PROMPT:

Prompt: Throughout the story, it was very clear to the reader that Mr. Loomis was not a good man. However, it took Ann much longer to realize this. Overall, do you think Ann was foolish for continuing to trust him? Why or Why not? Provide a minimum of three pieces of evidence from the text to support your analysis. Use the graphic organizer below to help organize your writing.

Argumentative Writing Checklist:

- ☐ Has a thesis statement.
- ☐ The thesis statement is supported by evidence found directly from the text.
- ☐ The textual evidence is supported by analysis and explanation.
- ☐ Provides appropriate background information about the story.

Thesis Statement:

BODY PARAGRAPH 1

Reason #1:

Textual Evidence:

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Analysis:

BODY PARAGRAPH 2

Reason #2:

Textual Evidence:

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Analysis:

BODY PARAGRAPH 3

Reason #3:

Textual Evidence:

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Analysis:

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EXPLANATORY ESSAY PROMPT:

Prompt: In Z for Zachariah, it is clear that Ann's feelings about Mr. Loomis change dramatically throughout the story. Write an explanatory essay describing how Ann's relationship with Mr. Loomis evolves throughout the story. Provide a minimum of three pieces of evidence from the text to support your analysis. Use the graphic organizer below to help organize your writing.

Explanatory Writing Checklist:

- ☐ Has a thesis statement.
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- ☐ Provides appropriate background information about the story.

Thesis Statement:

BODY PARAGRAPH 1
Beginning of the story:

Textual Evidence:

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Analysis:

BODY PARAGRAPH 2
Middle of the story:

Textual Evidence:

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Analysis:

BODY PARAGRAPH 3
End of the story:

Textual Evidence:

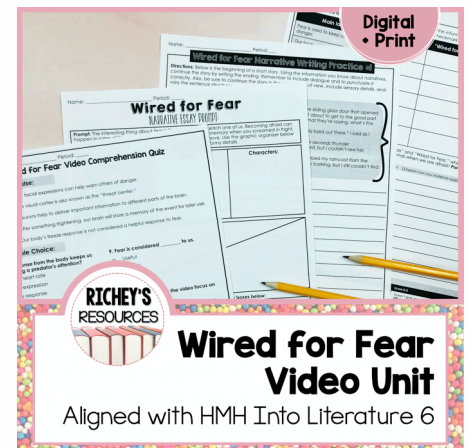
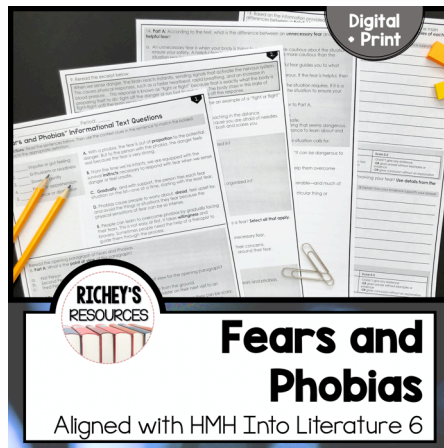
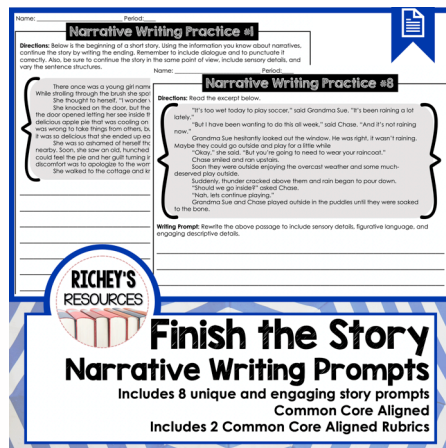
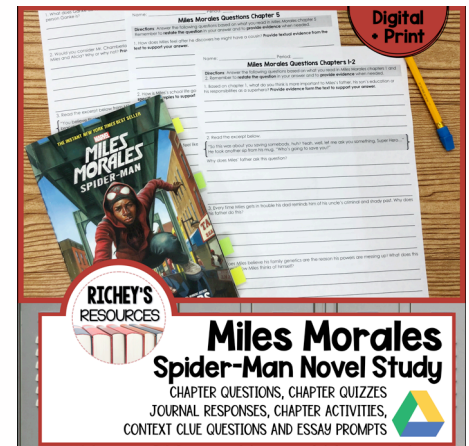
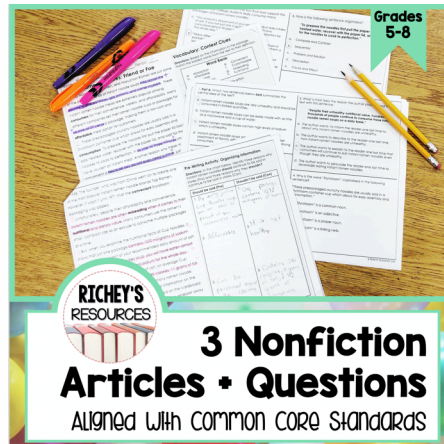
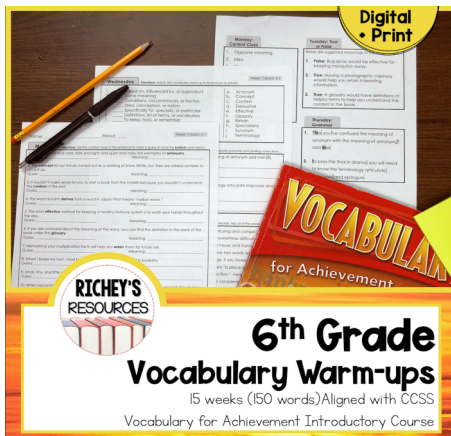
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